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AMERICA SHOWS CONCERN AT WAR POSSIBILITIES IN PACIFIC

ITALIANS CAPTURE AMBA ALAGI

LAST OBJECTIVE BEFORE RAINS SET IN

ADOWA DEFEAT OF 1896 AVENGED

Rome, To-day.

A communiqué from Marshal Badoglio announces the capture of the summit of Amba Alagi. The position is 9,000 feet high and is regarded by the Italians as of great strategic importance. This is possibly the last Italian objective before the rains set in.

The communiqué adds that the capture was effected without serious opposition and places the gateway of Abyssinia in Italian hands. All the territory occupied by the Italians before the Battle of Adowa in 1896 reverts to the Italians. It is believed that the Italians may advance as far south as Lake Ashangi before the rains.

Marshal Badoglio stated: "The troops of the 1st Army Corps reached the summit of Amba Alagi early in the morning, and the tricolour is now flying there. The troops avenged the defeat of the Italian forces in 1896."

BUDGET FOR INDIA

Estimated Surplus Revealed

PROPOSED REDUCTION IN TAXATION

New Delhi, To-day. The complete remission of income-tax on the lowest incomes and a reduction in the present surcharge on other incomes was announced by the Finance Member, Sir James Grigg, presenting the budget at the Assembly yesterday.

Sir James revealed an estimated surplus of Rs. 242,000 of March 31, but pointed out that various factors, including the cost to the Government of India of the separation of Burma, would work against a similarly favourable result in the immediate future. However, he felt justified in proposing remissions in taxation amounting to about Rs. 20,000,000.

Sir James Grigg outlined a seven-year plan for the reconstruction of Quetta and announced various grants for the amelioration of conditions in the rural areas.—Reuter.

STATE GRANT TO UNIVERSITIES

Large Increase For Next Five Years

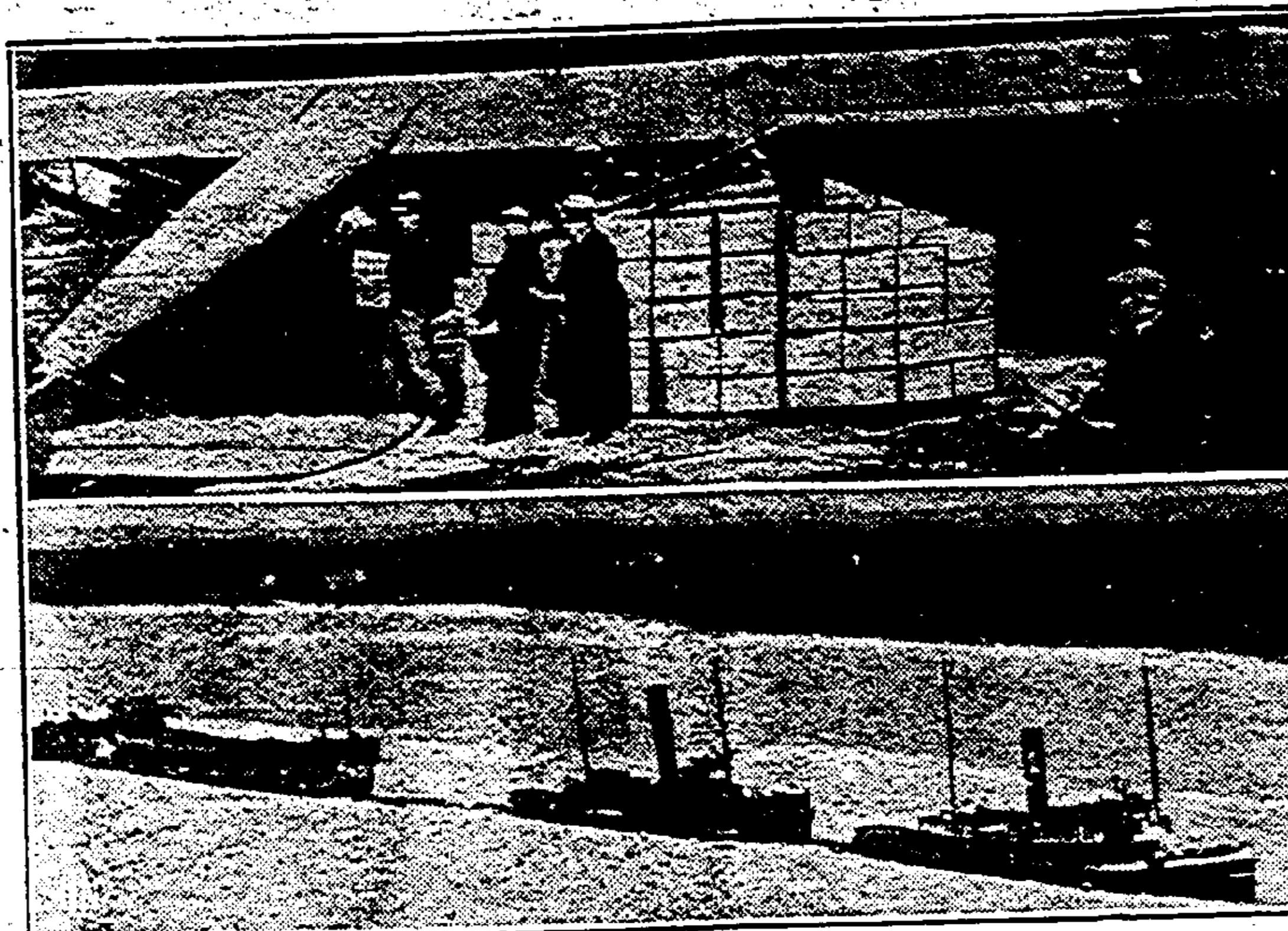
London, To-day.

The State grant in aid of the Universities, which is now £1,820,000, is to be raised to £2,100,000 for each year of the next quinquennium, with a special additional increase of £150,000 for the first year of that period.

In announcing this decision the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, says that in making this special addition to the vote for 1936-37 his intention is in effect to give back to the Universities Grant Committee the reserve of £150,000 which was surrendered to the Exchequer during the financial crisis.—British Wireless Service.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

Geneva, To-day. The forthcoming wedding is announced by the President (at present Mr. Stanley Bruce, Australia), has been confirmed by the Police Station, and Miss Joyce Venn for Monday to discuss the Gudgin-Naylor of No. 59D, Wong Poons for technical collaboration with China in 1936.—Reuter.



The Nantucket Island community of 3,500 persons was cut off from communication with the Massachusetts mainland except for telephone by Arctic-like icefloe which made water navigation almost impossible last month. A plane (top) is shown loading at Boston with supplies which were landed on the island quickly, while two tugs (below) are shown practically at a standstill as they attempt to tow their barge through the icefloe.

PACIFIC LINER TRAGEDY

Solitary One-Cent Piece Left By Keyes

San Francisco, To-day.

Officials of the liner Chichibun Maru stated that Mr. Stanley Keyes, the English police officer from Shanghai found missing when the ship docked, appeared to be depressed for several days prior to his disappearance. Attendants discovered Mr. Keyes' cabin stained with blood, and a pocket-knife with the blade bent.

His extensive baggage is being sent to Shanghai, and has not been opened. His purse contained a solitary one-cent piece. Mr. Keyes did not leave a farewell note.—Reuter.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Contributions To Be Decreased

London, To-day.

The Minister of Labour yesterday announced a reduction in the unemployment insurance contributions from employers and workers. He stated that the insurance funds had a surplus of £6,500,000 yearly for disposal and it was proposed to reduce the weekly rate by 1d.

The Minister of Labour also stated that White Paper would be issued by the Government in reply to the questionnaire from the Geneva International Labour Office regarding the 40-hour week. The Minister stated that he would attend the International Labour Conference this year at Geneva.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

"Forward" Silver Down

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/3 1/4d.

"Spot" silver remained steady at 19 1/2, while "forward" declined 1/16 to 19 1/2.

The London on New York cross-rate was steady at £-US \$4.99%, while the New York on London cross-rate was quoted at £-US \$4.99%, as compared with £-US \$4.99%.

H.M. THE KING'S BROADCAST

Full Particulars Announced

London, To-day.

H. M. the King's broadcast to-morrow will be transmitted by the R. C. C. Empire station at Daventry on three wave-lengths: GSC, 16.86 metres; GSF, 19.82 metres, and GFD 25.53 metres. In order to ensure the widest possible distribution the General Post Office's telephone service will provide circuits to Canada, Australia, South Africa and India. The broadcast will also be relayed to 11 foreign countries, including America and France.—Reuter.

GRIMMETT TAKES 7 WICKETS

But Nourse Scores Half-Century

FINAL TEST AT DURBAN

Durban, To-day.

The sky was overcast when

South Africa won the toss in the

fifth and final Test against the

Australians and elected to bat,

but, owing to bad light, play was

stopped half-an-hour before the

official time for drawing stumps.

The home team had then scored

only 199 runs for the loss of 8

wickets, N. D. Nourse claiming 50.

C. V. Grimmett was in fine form

with the ball, taking seven of the

eight wickets which fell.—Reuter.

SWISS BAN ON NAZIS

Note Handed To Germany

Berne, To-day.

The Swiss reply to the recent

German note protesting against

the suppression of Nazi organi-

sations in Switzerland, handed in

to the German Minister here,

states that the Federal Council

cannot reverse its decision and

hopes that the German Govern-

ment will prove its understanding

of the situation and avoid any

erroneous interpretation to Ger-

man public opinion.—Reuter.

A STATUE TO PAVLOV

Monthly Pension For His Widow

Moscow, To-day.

In connection with the death of

the scientist Pavlov, the Govern-

ment has decided to erect a statue

to his memory and to grant his

wife a monthly pension of 1,000

roubles. Pavlov will be given a

State funeral.—Reuter's Bulletin

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WEST-COAST REPAIR FACILITIES

REHABILITATION NEED EMPHASISED

MATTER OF SELF-DEFENCE WHICH CANNOT BE OVERLOOKED

Washington, To-day.

The presence of the American Fleet in the Pacific and the conditions of the Far East were stressed before the Naval Committee of the House of Representatives yesterday, as emphasising the necessity for the rehabilitation of the west coast shipbuilding and repair facilities.

The Pacific Coast Congressional delegation urged a 6 per cent differential in favour of west coast shipbuilders in the proposed construction of 54 auxiliary naval vessels.

"We should be worse than blind if we closed our eyes to the conditions in the Far East. This is a matter of self-defence the Committee cannot afford to overlook," declared Representative Kohn.

Representative Tolson declared that the slightest spark would be likely to set the world on fire. "If war comes you know from where it will come. Imagine our position with a conflict in the Pacific and something happening to the Panama Canal, so that ships could not reach the east coast for repair."

SHORTAGE OF TIN

Representations To British Govt.

COMMITTEE FORMED

London, To-day.

Reuter learns that the members of the London Metal Exchange have formed a committee, which has decided to draw the Government's attention to the seriousness of the present shortage of tin in this country, urging remedial measures. This reflects the discontent of the market at the decision of the International Tin Committee's recent decision to reduce the quota from 90 to 85 per cent, which the market fears will result in a further deterioration of the precarious London position.

The metal brokers Strauss and Co., interviewed by Reuter, point out that Bolivia lags behind to the extent of 4,000 tons. Since Bolivian ores are smelted in Britain this principally accounts for the shortage in the London stocks, which are at present 600 tons, or less than 10 days' supply.—Reuter.

LONG SITTING OF HOUSE

22 HOURS AT A STRETCH

Berne, To-day.

After sitting continuously for

nearly 22 hours the House of

Commons rose shortly after noon

yesterday. The main business

before the House was the discus-

sion of the various supplementary

estimates, the Opposition refusing

to allow their passage without a

full debate. When the House

ultimately rose it was agreed that

the Committee stage of the bill

for the continuance of the ship-

ping subsidy and certain other

Government business should

stand adjourned until Monday.

Owing to the encroachment of

the long sitting on yesterday's

parliamentary time the normal

Friday morning session, which is

devoted to private members' busi-

ness, was automatically abandon-

ed.—British Wireless Service.

WEATHER REPORT

Fresh north-easterly winds, cloudy, is the forecast for today, the 29th, as issued this morning by the Royal Observatory.

MAIL SCHEDULES

AIR MAIL

Imperial Airways via Singapore
Bandoeng-Amsterdam via Singapore
Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon
Singapore-Australia
Correspondence will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the Post Offices. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and be handed in at the Post Office.

CHINESE DOMESTIC AIR MAIL
SERVICE FROM CANTON
Letters will be accepted at Hong Kong for transmission by the Chinese Domestic Air Mail Service from Canton to all places in China, at the rate of \$1.00 per half ounce unit. The charge is inclusive of the regular postage.

The hours of closing mails for this service at the G.P.O. are:
Canton-Shanghai (via Swatow)—
Wednesday and Saturday, Reg.
10 a.m. Ordinary 10:30 a.m.
Canton-Kuangchow-Nanning—
Mondays and Fridays, Beg. 10 a.m.
Ordinary 10:30 a.m.
Canton-Lungchow—Saturdays, Reg.
4:30 p.m. Ordinary 5:00 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursday, Reg. 10 a.m. Ordinary 10:30 a.m.
At Kowloon Central Post Office the mails will be closed $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before the above times.

INWARD MAIHS.
FROM EUROPE

	Mar.
Anhui (Air Mail)	1
Ranchi (via Suz)	5
FROM SHANGHAI	Feb.
Asama Maru	23
Taiyuan	23
Pres. Pierce	2
Philippines	6
Rawalpindi	6
Pres. Jefferson	8
Gen. Pershing	8
Ixion	10
Antenor	10
FROM U.S.A.	Mar.
Pres. Pierce	2
Pres. Jefferson	6
FROM STRAITS & INDIA	Feb.
Hossang	23
Hector	23
Talma	3
Achilles	9
Terukuni Maru	10
FROM JAPAN	Feb.
Asama Maru	29
Pres. Pierce	2
Tanda	2
Africa Maru	5
Pres. Jefferson	6
Rawalpindi	6
Gen. Pershing	6
OUTWARD MAIHS. FOR EUROPE	Feb.
Hector (via Siberia)	29
Tilawa (Imperial Service)	29
Closes: Reg. 3:30 p.m. Ord. 4 p.m. Mar.	
Asama Maru (via Siberia)	4
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8:30 a.m. Rawalpindi (via Marseilles)	6
Closes: Reg. 9:45 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m. FOR SHANGHAI	
Hector	29
Asama Maru	4
FOR JAPAN	Mar.
Asama Maru	4
FOR U.S.A.	Mar.
Asama Maru	4

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

COUNT	SLAIR
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OL SEE	ENS TO
ALL DARED	LTS
SAIL TEN ORLE	TRIAL F SPEED
RELEASE	RELEASE
PEEKS R ENDED	LARS OER SALE
LARIS	ARE AMEER MEN
IN APE	NAP VT
NEWTON	TRADES
DEEDS	SETON



This photo, sent by radio from London, shows mourning subjects kneeling in prayer at Sandringham House gates after the death of King George



This rare picture (left) shows the child Prince of Wales, King Edward VIII, in the arms of Queen Victoria, his great-grandmother. The Prince, at right, had grown almost to man's estate in this glimpse of him as a cadet in 1916.



Known as an opponent of the Nazi Government, Heinrich Brauning, the former German Chancellor and Catholic leader, has arrived secretly in New York. He is said to be organizing the anti-Nazis in the United States.



The youthful appearance of Fannie Ward, who at 63 is known as America's perennial flapper, makes it difficult to distinguish the actress from her daughter, Lady Plunkett, as they arrive in New York from England. Fannie is at the right.

(Right) Numerous offers of marriage following her acquittal in the Paris courts have been spurned by Mme. Asletta Stavisky (above with reporter), the beautiful widow of France's master swindler. She will appear in a New York night club.



Despite the fact that King Carol of Romania (right inset) has been at odds with the British Court, he attended the funeral of King George V with other crowned heads of Europe, King Haakon of Norway, King Christian of Denmark (l. and r. top) and King Leopold of the Belgians (left inset).



WELL—I GUESS I'LL NOT BE BOthered BY ANY BARON WHEN I'M DEBT-BUT HE IS OUT OF THE CITY-SO YOU WON'T BE BOtherED WITH THAT DEBT.

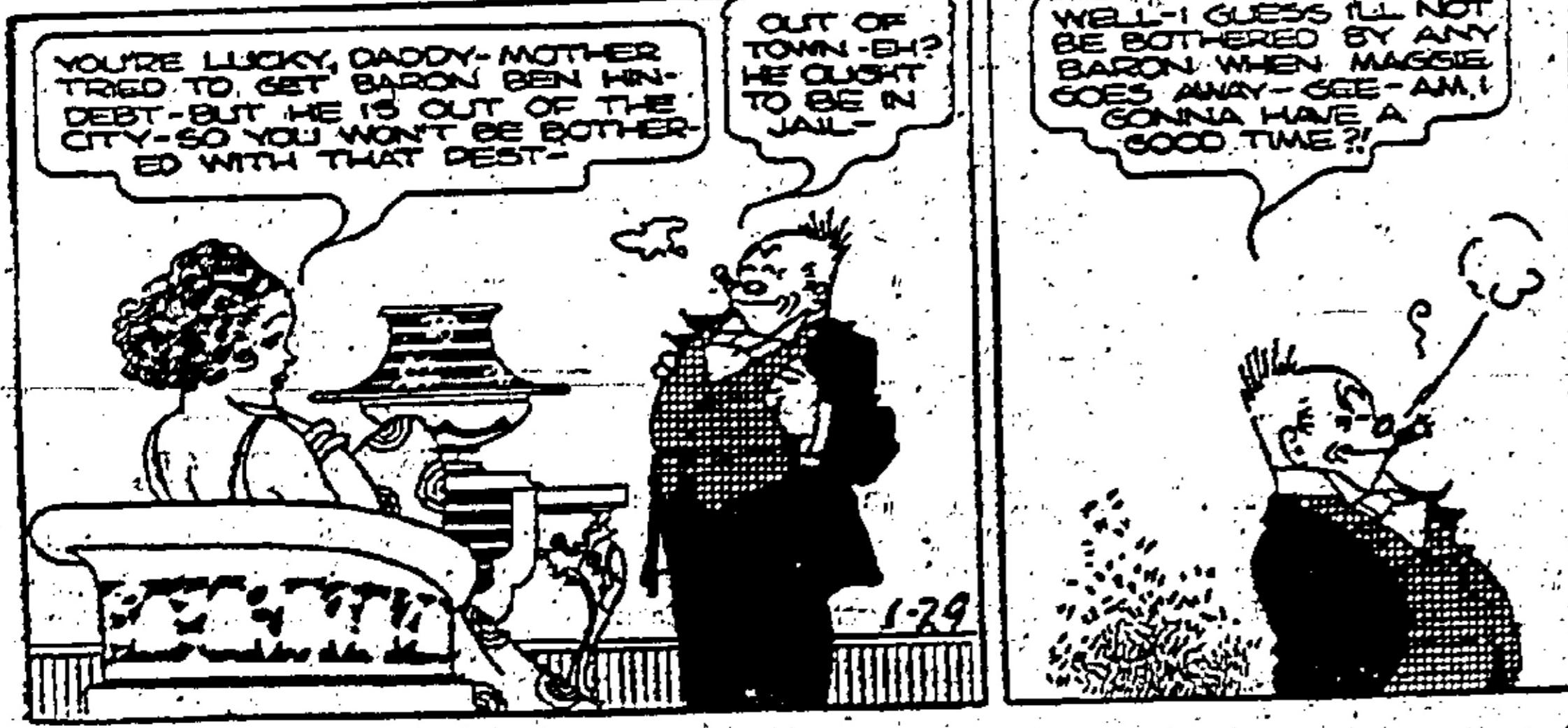
NOW JUST PACK YOUR THINGS—AN' BE ON YOUR WAY—I'LL DO THE BEST I CAN FOR YOU—WORRY AN' BE LOONESOME.

OH—YOU DARLING—I WOULDN'T THINK OF GOING AWAY AND LEAVING YOU ALONE.

AREN'T YOU GOIN'?

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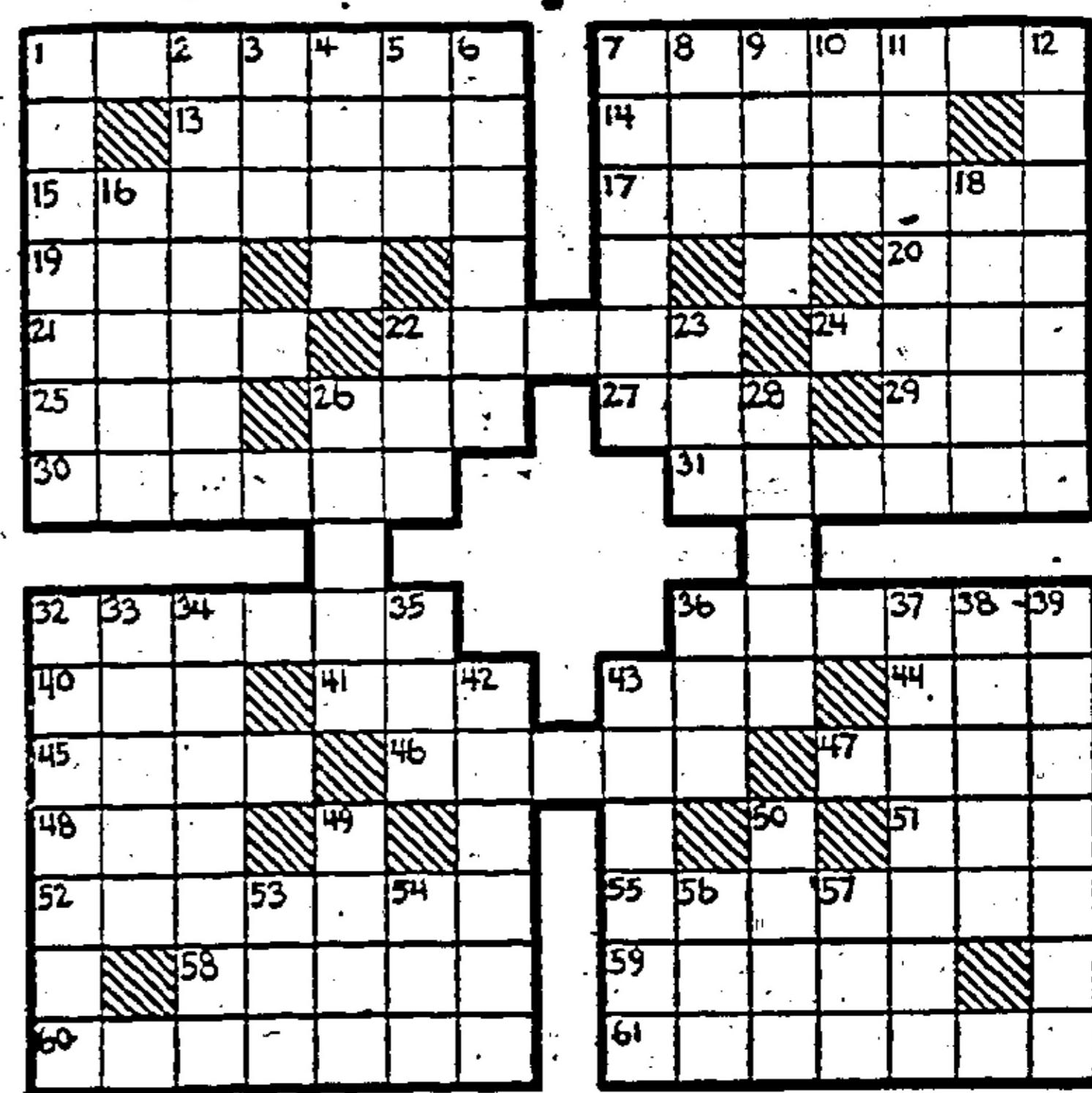
WE ARE MAKING FINAL DRastic
REDUCTIONS DURING OUR SALE
COST AND BELOW COST.
ON OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF
DRESSES, GOWNS, COATS
Etc., Etc.



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Gloucester Bldg. Arcade No. 6

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL	1-Radical	47-Sacred bull of Egypt	79-Contracts
7-Native of Sparta	48-Man's name	80-Ways away	81-Anxious
13-Long-legged wading bird	51-High priest (Bible)	82-Origin of the b	83-Easy
14-Drunkard	52-Colonist	84-Reduced again	85-Relieved
15-Sensation	53-Island	86-Arrived as if	87-awarded
17-More like reed	59-Arrived	88-Makes sad	89-Rub out
19-Arrived (abbr.)	60-Makes sad	90-Fearful	91-Delayed after the
20-Hinder	61-Fearful	92-same school as me	proper hour
21-Woman attending	93-Incited	93-Consume	94-Part of the foot
same school as me	94-Recent	95-Grew smaller	96-toward the end
22-Incited	95-Penetrates	97-Magistrate of	97-ancient Rome
24-French novelist	96-Printed on the face	98-Abided	98-Others
25-Editors (abbr.)	of	99-One of three equal	99-Partly
26-Girl's name	99-Girl's name	parts (pl.)	100-Partly
27-Blind	30-More precise	101-Printed	101-Partly
29-Recent	31-Penetrates	102-Three (abbr.)	102-Partly
30-More precise	32-Allow, as a	103-Ireland	103-Partly
31-Penetrates	33-Action	104-Occupy	104-Partly
32-Allow, as a	34-Examiner	105-City thoroughfare	105-Partly
33-Action	40-Before	106-American novelist	106-Partly
34-Examiner	41-Deemed	107-Name of Lincoln's	107-Partly
40-Before	42-Tired	son	108-Even (contr.)
41-Deemed	43-Suffice. Relating to	109-Calm	109-Make a mistake
42-Tired	44-Suffix. Relating to	110-English	110-Island (abbr.)
43-Suffice.	45-Dim	warrior	111-Officer of ancient
44-Suffix. Relating to	46-Early English	Rome	112-Roman (abbr.)
45-Dim	warrior		
46-Early English			

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue.

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HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the Year ending 31st December 1935 at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling at exchange 1/3 5/8 is payable on and after the 24th February 1936 at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1936.

SPORT NOTICES

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1936
22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th, and
28th February, 1936

ON SATURDAY, 22nd, MONDAY
24th, TUESDAY, 25th, and
WEDNESDAY, 26th February, the
first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m.,
and the first race will be run at 11.30
a.m. On SATURDAY, 29th February,
the first bell will be rung at 1.30
p.m., and the first race will be run at
2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken
after the fifth race on the first four
days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they
and their ladies MUST wear their
badges prominently displayed
throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be
admitted to the Members' Enclosure.
Badges admitting non-members to
the Members' Enclosure and Club
Rooms at \$10.00 per day including
tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the
Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 re-
spectively) are obtainable through the
Secretary upon introduction by a
member, such member to be responsi-
ble for all costs, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' En-
closure will NOT be on sale at the
Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor,
EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel.
27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m.
ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and
at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH
DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be
obtainable each day at the Club
House, provided they are ordered in
advance from the No. 1 Boy, Tele-
phone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be per-
mitted in either enclosure during the
first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission of the Pub-
lic Enclosure is \$2.00 per day in-
cluding tax for all persons including
ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are
admitted to the Public Enclosure at
\$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will
not be permitted to operate within
the precincts of The Hong Kong
Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the
Restaurants in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued
application to the Secretary, 1st
change Building.

Persons found loitering with
Servants in their possession will
be fined the same and will be re-
moved from the Enclosure.

By Order,

BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th Feb., 1936.

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Company Meetings

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY,
the 5th March, 1936, AT
NOON, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors and the
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December, 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
FRIDAY, the 21st February 1936,
to THURSDAY, the 5th March,
1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 12th February, 1936.

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS

Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction

on
Monday, the 2nd March, 1936
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Room, No. 35
Hankow Road, Kowloon

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE

comprising:—
Chesterfield Suites, Teak Dining
Room & Bed-Room Furniture, Of-
fice Furniture, Carpets, Rugs, Or-
naments, Porcelain & Glass Ware,
Brass & Alum Ware, Clocks, Pic-
tures, etc., etc.

also—
A Few Pieces of Black Wood
Furniture

and
One Pianola The "Autopiano"
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One Portable Gramophone.

One Radio Set.

One Sewing Machine.

On View from Saturday the
29th February 1936.

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Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1936.

THE Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction

on
Tuesday, the 3rd March, 1936
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
Duddell Street

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE

comprising:—
Teak Dining Room & Bed-Room
Furniture, Office Furniture,
Bronze Ornaments, Curios, Car-
pets, Rugs, Pictures, Clocks, Clocks &
Records, Glass & Brass Ware, E. P. & Alum Ware,
Electric Table Lamps, Typewriters,
etc., etc.

also—
A Quantity of Black Wood
Furniture

On View from Monday the 2nd
March 1936.

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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"SHE COULDN'T TAKE IT"— KING'S THEATRE

Her blue blood boiled over when
handsome, hard-as-nails Raft
wouldn't take his hat off before
he socked her! It's a battle royal
of cuffs and clinches, kicks and
kisses! He's no gentleman and
she's no lady—not in that riotous
romance "She Couldn't Take It,"
co-starring George Raft and Joan
Bennett.

You'll get a laugh-laden lesson
in love when rough-and-ready rac-
keteering Raft tells the buxom,
buoyant Bennett where to get off
and when and how! It's the sur-
prise comedy of the year, the pic-
ture with a personality!

Taking part in the wild goings-on
are Walter Connolly, Billie
Burke, Lloyd Nolan, Wallace Ford,
James Blakely and Donald Meek.

Tay Garnett directed "She Could-
n't Take It" from a screen play

prepared by Oliver H. P. Garrett

based on a story by Gene Town

and Graham Baker.

"ROSE OF THE RANCHO"—
QUEEN'S THEATRE

Gladys Swarthout, the Metro-
politan Opera star, makes her
screen debut in this entertaining
musical supported by John Boles.

From the beginning this film
swings gaily into musical numbers.
Gladys Swarthout sings several
songs and has several duets with
John Boles and with a Jewish
gold prospector, played by Willie
Howard, in the catchy song enti-

tled "Girl in California."

John Boles enacts the role of a
Federal Agent who is sent to in-
vestigate the work of the Vigilantes
in California about 1884.

He falls in love with the attrac-
tive Rosita (Gladys Swarthout),
who is also Don Carlos, the mask-
ed leader of the Villianites. Boles

eventually helps her defend her
family and home against a gang
headed by Charles Bickford.

Supporting Gladys Swarthout
and John Boles are Willie Howard,
Herb Williams and Grace Bradley.

"THE PERFECT GENTLEMAN"—
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

In this Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
production mother and daughter
will appear together.

They are Mary and Brenda
Forbes of the famous theatrical
family. Frank Morgan and Cic-
eorge Courtneidge are co-starred in
the new film.

Brenda is the latest of the
Forbes family to come to the
screen, her mother and brother
Ralph having been screen players
for several years.

For the past four years she has
been in Katharine Cornell's com-
pany, on the stage. She created
the role of the shuffling maid in
"The Barretts of Wimpole Street,"
with Miss Cornell's stage produc-

tion.

Incidentally, Una O'Connor, who
played it in Norma Shearer's
screen presentation is also in the
cast of "The Perfect Gentleman,"
playing Frank Morgan's austere

sister.

Tim Whelan directed the Ed-
ward Childs Carpenter comedy of
London life. Henry Stephenson,
Richard Waring, Heather Angel,
Herbert Mundin, and Ivan Simp-
son are in the cast.

"REDHEADS ON PARADE"—
MAJESTIC THEATRE

Jesse L. Lasky's extravaganza
of gorgeous girls and tuneful hits,
"Redheads on Parade," brings
lovely Dixie Lee (Mrs. Bing Cro-
by) to the screen to resume her
starring career with her first
singing and dancing role in years.

A few years ago, Miss Lee was
gaining a foothold in motion pic-
tures at Fox Film when she de-
serted the screen to become Mrs.
Bing Crosby. Now she returns

as the flaming redhead romance
lead in this gay musical show
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great promise in her former
screen efforts, has been trained
through the period of retirement,
so that her present rhythm and
warmth make her one of the

screen's leading songstresses.

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romantic leads of "Redheads on
Parade," Miss Lee does the
choruses of the three Jay Gorney

—Don Hartman tunes especially
written for the picture.

Forty-eight redheaded beauties

BRIDGE NOTES

Subtle Falsehoods

By Ely Culbertson

Contract bidding, particularly
when both sides are engaged, is
like a fencing bout and a psychic
bid is a feint. The good player
must know how to make the feint
without leaving himself vulnera-
ble to the thrust. But even more
important, he must know how to
foil the feint and parry the attack
or pierce the defence of which
it is the precursor. The most

falsehoods. They succeeded by
successful psychics are subtle
luring the opponents into an un-
makeable contract, even more
often than they succeed in keep-
ing them from bidding the true
value of their combined hands.

Good players draw accurate in-
ferences of the high card strength
and the distribution of all three
unseen hands by listening to op-
ponents as well as to partner. To-
day's hand shows a psychic which
succeeded in deceiving two

nationally known experts in an
important pair tournament by dis-
torting their picture of the dis-
tribution around the table.

West, Dealer

North-South vulnerable

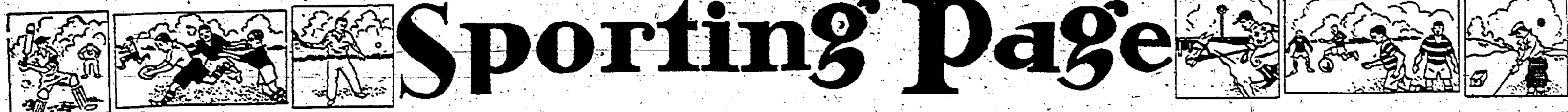
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H. K. Q. 10 8 6

D. J. 9 7 5
C. J.

S. J. 10 7 6 N. S. 9 5 2

H. 9 5 4 W. E. H. 7

D. 2 S. D. A. K. 10 6



ABLE AMAZON WILL BE FULLY EXTENDED IF SHE ACCEPTS

RECREIO'S TASK

MEET S. CHINA 'A'
IN SENIOR DIV.
CLASH TO-DAY

Police Must Keep
Eye On Lyemun

INTERESTING JUNIOR MATCHES

In spite of the very big soccer programme this afternoon, there are only a few games worthy of attention, the best perhaps being the First Division clash between the League champions, South China "A" and the Recreio at Caroline Hill, where the Chinese team will make an attempt to retrieve their reputation after their debacle against St. Joseph's last Sunday.

South China "A" are fielding their best team and fireworks are expected, but things are not going to be easy for them as they will have to contend with a very stubborn Recreio defence and one which will probably give their forwards much to think about.

Wong Wing, their goalkeeper, is a doubtful starter, as he is taking an examination in Canton, and in case he does not play last week's custodian, who has already created a favourable impression, will deputise.

(Continued on Page 6.)

KOWLOON TONG SWAMPED

C.R.C. Win Badminton League Game

The Kowloon Tong Club could not even manage to win one game in their Mixed Doubles Badminton League fixture against the Chinese Recreation Club last night at Kowloon Tong.

Detailed results of the game were as follows:

P. C. Leung and Miss Anderson (Kowloon Tong)..... 4-21
Mrs. Lum 4-21
S. P. Chan and Miss W. Cheung 1-21
lost to S. W. Liang and Miss Lian Kho 4-21
S. A. Gray and Miss A. MacKenzie (Kowloon Tong)..... 6-21
lost to Lum and Lum 6-21
lost to Liang and Kho 12-21
lost to Chan and Cheung 14-21
G. A. White and Miss I. Woolley (Kowloon Tong)..... 0-21
lost to Lum and Lum 0-21
lost to Chan and Cheung 2-21
lost to Liang and Kho 1-21

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

	Games	P. W. L. E. A. Pts.
C.R.C.	11	10 1 76 23 20
Fire Brigade	11	9 2 75 24 18
Recreio "A"	8	7 1 60 12 14
Recreio "B"	10	6 4 59 31 12
St. John's	12	6 6 52 56 12
St. Andrew's	10	5 5 42 48 10
Kowloon Tong	13	3 10 33 84 6
Tai Foo	10	2 8 21 89 6
S. and S. Home	10	0 10 15 75 0

OSMUND REACHES LAST FOUR

Yan Outclassed In Quarter-Final

The billiard room of the Kowloon Cricket Club was crowded to capacity last night, when A. J. Osmund, the Colony champion, by defeating Yam Charm-pong by 500 points, to 261, qualified for the semi-final round of the Colony Senior Billiards Championship.

Many people also turned out at the Civil Service Cricket Club to witness the Junior Championship game in which A. Kitchell unexpectedly defeated F. P. Sequeira by 300 points to 183.

Osmund, who paid a high tribute to his opponent by a very cautious display, chalked up an 80, the highest break of the match, and other breaks of 71, 67, 51, 44, 33 and 33 (unfinished).

Yan chalked up a 46.



A. J. Osmund, above, the Colony's Open Billiards champion, photographed in a characteristic position. He entered the semi-final Round last night by beating Yam Charm-pong at the K.C.C.

FINAL CAER CLARK CUP HOCKEY GAME

H.K. Ladies To Meet "Y" Ladies

TO DETERMINE RUNNERS-UP POSITION

The "Y" Ladies are making two chances for their final Caer Clark Cup match this afternoon against the Hong Kong Ladies at Sookun-poo, to determine the winners of the Southern Cup for the runners-up position in the competition.

Miss M. Gardiner will be brought into the intermediate line at right-half, while Mrs. Brown will return to the team at left-half, a position formerly filled by Mrs. Henry, who is now in Shanghai.

The Hong Kong Ladies, former holders of the Caer Clark Cup, will probably be fielding the same team which has served them throughout the season, although there is a possibility that Miss B. Pope, their former pivot, will return for this one game, although they should win to-day's encounter with their old line-up.

Weak In Defence

While the "Y" Ladies are very strong in attack, the defence could do with a little more polishing up. Miss McCaw and Miss Fowler are both inclined to wander too far forward, while Mrs. Brown is not fast enough to cope with the H. K. Ladies' right-wing. Then again, although Miss Gardiner has earned her right to promotion, she is a little slow for the H. K. Ladies.

The H. K. Ladies must improve in their attack. True, they were playing on a very poor ground in their "needle" match against the C.B.A. Ladies, but there are still other factors which contributed towards their downfall.

ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end soccer fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:-

TO-DAY

FIRST DIVISION

S. CHINA "A" v Recreio (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)

Scutters E.A. v CLUB (Club, 3.30 p.m.)

EAST LANCS. v Kowloon (Soakupoo, 4.15 p.m.)

POLICE v Lyemun R.A. (Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Recreio v EASTERN (King's Park, 4.15 p.m.)

NAVY v Kowloon (Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)

South China v CLUB (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)

ENGINEERS v University (Causeway Bay, 2.45 p.m.)

Medicals v C. POLICE (Chatham Rd., 2.45 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

LIGA v PORTUGUESA (Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)

ENGINEERS v Railway (Soakupoo, 2.45 p.m.)

Air Force v FUSILIERS (Railway, 2.45 p.m.)

EAST LANCS. v St. Joseph's (Prince Edward Rd., 2.45 p.m.)

TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION

S. CHINA "B" v S. CHINA "C" (Kowloon, 4.30 p.m.)

Athletic v RIFLES (Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)

FINAL HOCKEY TRIAL FOR TO-MORROW

Preparing For Interport Against Macau

The final hockey trial in preparation for the coming Interport visit by the Macau Hockey Club will take place at King's Park to-morrow morning when Probables will meet Possibles on the Royal Naval ground, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

SECON DIVISION

Navy v FUSILIERS (Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)

Athletic v ENGINEERS (Caroline Hill, 3.00 p.m.)

NAVY v South China (Causeway Bay, 3.00 p.m.)

Rifles v EAST LANCS. (Prince Edward Rd., 1.30 p.m.)

Radio v R.A.C. & R.S.C. (Chatham Rd., 4.30 p.m.)

Rifles v EAST LANCS. (Prince Edward Rd., 4.30 p.m.)

Rapier's Selections

Race No. 1.— GOLD SOVEREIGN SHAMROCK OCEAN VIEW Outside—Balios

Race No. 2.— STOPWATCH CELEBRATION TIME CASSIUS Outsider—Lancashire Loom

Race No. 3.— KING'S LEAD LAUGHING GIRL SILVERSMITH Outsider—Amberley

Race No. 4.— HALCYON ZODIAC ABLE WARRIOR Outsider—Tinsmith

Race No. 5.— ROSE EVELYN THE GORILLA WILD CAT Outsider—Blue Ribbon

Race No. 6.— SOLDIER OF CHINA MAYFLOWER JUNGLE JIM Outsider—Pride Of Tsingtao

Race No. 7.— MACARONI PONTIAC BAY THE TIGER Outsider—Sadko

Race No. 8.— VIXEN TOR ABLE AMAZON HOLIDAY EVE Outsider—A Grand Time

Race No. 9.— GREAT HALL WARRINGTON MERPY Outsider—Racing Boy

Race No. 10.— THE DOUBLE—KING'S LEAD AND ROSE EVELYN

HOW OWNERS FADED

The following table shows how the winning owners fared on the first four days:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Lan	6	3	3
L. Dunbar	4	2	2
Eu Tong-sen	4	1	1
Harbard	3	4	4
Dynasty	3	4	3
Eve	3	0	0
Hem	2	4	4
Quartermaster	2	1	0
Mrs. Dunbar	2	1	0
Mrs. E. H. M. Tinson	1	0	0
Li Po Chun	1	3	3
Why	1	1	1
Sevens	1	1	1
J. E. D.	1	0	0
C. N. K.	1	0	0
Lee	1	0	0
S. L. K.	1	0	0
L. W. F.	1	0	1
Li Shiu-pang	1	0	1
Ling	1	0	1
Lancashire	1	0	1
Ho and Wong	1	0	0
J. F. McGregor	1	0	0
Kwok Hin-wang	1	0	0
E. S. K.	1	0	0
Li Fook-yim	1	0	0
Kong Boos	1	0	0
Tester and Abraham	0	3	0
R. W. Fung	0	2	1
V. M. Grayburn	0	1	1
Fai	0	1	1
S. S. Li	0	1	1
Pau	0	1	0
Limburg	0	1	0
G. Tinson	0	1	0
Dr. S. N. Chau	0	1	0
Major E. C. Boyd	0	1	0
Shannon	0	1	0
C. B. Brown	0	1	0
Hall & Sheaton	0	1	0
Ulster	0	3	0
Chi Cheong Fan	0	2	0
Broadway	0	1	1
L. Reidy	0	1	1
Brish	0	1	1
Young Bros.	0	1	1
Lady Southern	0	1	1
Roien	0	1	1
Early Birds	0	0	1
Johnson and Alabaster	0	1	1

Totals 48 48 48

There was a dead-heat for third place and in one race there were only two starters.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES CHAMPIONS

KING'S LEAD AND ROSE EVELYN FOR "DOUBLE"

HALCYON FAVOURITED TO BEAT ZODIAC OVER 5 FURLONGS

(By "Rapier")

THE Annual Race Meeting will conclude to-day with a card of nine events, commencing at 2 p.m. The weather, which was exceedingly unkind to the Jockey Club on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday last, still looks very threatening, but if no further rain falls, the track should be firmer than during the third and fourth days.

The big race of the day is the Australian Ponies' Champions and with Mr. Fatshan's Able Amazon not quite in the pink of condition, an upset may quite easily result. If the champion starts she will be included in the betting. I was informed yesterday.

Mrs. E. H. M. Tinson's Vixen Tor has a very good chance of winning the classic, although Holiday Eve is likely to issue a strong challenge on behalf of the new Australians.

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ONLY TWO LEAGUE CRICKET GAMES TO-DAY

YACHT CLUB
TO HOLD ROWING
REGATTA SOONAn Argonaut's Plea
For RecognitionNORTH POINT VENUE
TO-DAY WEEK

(Contributed)

Hong Kong is rapidly becoming a centre of physical culture. "Sonitas" instructs us regularly how to preserve our bodily health and vigour—leagues of Health and Beauty flourish—Tailors are working overtime on Jodphurs—enthusiasts are legion. Rowing checks and manly figure thrust themselves before our eyes from ferry, train, bus and harbouring, proclaiming the sovereign powers of Yeast, Sanatoga, Dr. William's Pink Pills, and Ovaltine.

But there has been a lamentable omission.

Unaccustomed as we are to wielding Swan or Parker, yet we feel impelled by a sense of duty to all who grow soft, pallid and harassed on office stools to offer the true solution. No longer need our tailor wrestle with buckram and wads of cotton wool, for we have discovered the real secret of the healthy life—in short we have been initiated in the art of Rowing.

At 5 p.m. we do not adjourn to the "Grips" or the "Club"—but don singlets, and shorts at the R. H. K. Yacht Club and from there, "sitting well in order, smite the sounding furrows" to Lyemun—and back.

Three A Week

The devotee of the oar forewears late nights and "hinges" At least three evenings per week do the Argonauts of North Point shoulder the well-turned blade and march (literally nowadays) to the slip-way. However, we are well-rewarded. All the toxins of the day ooze gratefully from our sun-bronzed bodies and all the blushing so well—bottled for hours is sublimated into pulling power and expended on the tide.

Our merits, so tardily acknowledged, have been recognised in some quarters. Certain lords of shipping, conscious of their difficulty in navigating narrow gangways and having a horror of the pear-shaped silhouette, have determined to rid themselves of this too-solid flesh by struggling to wrest the Hornell Challenge Cup from the brawny arms of the Hong Kong Electric Oarsmen.

A "Bounty" Re-Echo!

The Navy, hoping for better results with the oar than the tiller, and inspired, no doubt, by the performance of the crew of the Bounty in the Doldrums, have entered four crews.

Great will be the competition to win and fill the 4th Submarine Flotilla Cup.

Then there will be the exhibitionists swooping by in pairs and so mount to the Hercules and Jason of our stalwart crews, who will give an exhibition such as Hong Kong has never seen.

Come then to North Point on Saturday, March 7, where the spirit of the Argonauts lingers like a perfume from the past! Seize your unique opportunity of witnessing these young Spartans. Now that your pride in Hong Kong Rigger lies in the mud and since your "certain winners" at Happy Valley are still struggling in the same element, we cordially invite you to board a launch at 3 p.m. on this auspicious day, and gaze in admiration at fours, pairs and sculls—the envy of any Oxford coach.

INTRA-CLUB MATCH

The Hong Kong Cricket Club will be holding an intra-club match this afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m. when sides will be selected from the following players:

E. Hancock, A. W. Hayward, A. K. Mackenzie, L. D. Kilbee, J. E. Way, W. Wooding, H. Owen Hughes, J. P. Williams, I. McInnes, A. C. Cowdrey, H. W. Raines, J. E. Potter, G. S. Dunckley, R. H. Griffiths, Capt. L. J. Walsh, L. S. Forbes, F. A. Dunnett, I. A. Whipple, J. E. Richardson and Capt. D. W. Ferse.

GOLF
NOTES

(By "NIBLICK")

AT the Kowloon Golf Club on Sunday last, R. K. Collings, lost to T. Paton in the Semi-Final of the Captain's Cup, the difference being a couple of holes at the 18th. Collings has never won a major competition at Kowloon and Paton effectively ruined his hopes for this year.

In the other bracket W. Taylor had no difficulty in disposing of E. Black by 5 and 4 and will meet Paton in the final. Both players hit a long ball and the match will be decided on the greens with the former holding a slight advantage.

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WITHOUT OBVIOUS
COMMENT

EXTRACT from a sports column evidently written by a left-handed writer with a right hand complex. "Blank laid his approach shot dead to the pin and sank a 40 putt for a birdie."

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HONG FOURSOMES

CHINA Light beat the Hong Kong Electric by 3 and 2 to enter the quarter-finals of the Hong Foursomes. Seven and five was the margin between Dodwells and H. K. and Whampoa Dock in favour of the former, and they now meet China Light in the top half of the final. Govt. Marine Surveyor will meet the winners of Dairy Farm and Godown Corp. for the other final position.

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OVERHEARD AT THE
NINETEENTH

"... and Charlie says he's going to quit this golf game as a man's a sap to spend \$15 or \$20 a month just for the blinking privilege of driving himself nuts." "... and now he says he's developed a perfect swing—I don't know whether it's for shovelling coals or forking hay."

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COUNTRY CLUB
GOLFStarting Times For
To-morrow

The following are the Country Club Golf starting times for to-morrow:

10.30 a.m.	W. G. Williams and S. L. Wong.
10.34	A. J. Kew and F. E. Remedios.
10.38	H. Kew and B. Basto.
10.42	C. H. Suen and L. D'Almada.
10.46	E. D. da Roza and A. W. da Roza.
10.50	E. Sadick and H. K. Lee.
10.54	G. S. Ford and R. A. C. Basto.
10.58	S. J. Fong and J. J. Basto.
11.02	Mrs. J. J. Basto and Mrs. Williams.
11.06	Mrs. Castro and Miss Ablong.
11.10	Mrs. Remedios and Mrs. D'Almada.
11.14	Miss O. Basto and Mrs. Kew.

RECREIO'S TASK

(Continued from Page 4)

Lau Man's return to the game after a long absence, is welcomed on all sides for he and Lee Tin-sang make a fine pair of full-backs and are alone worth seeing any day of the week.

Lyemun On Up Grade

The other First Division game to-day worthy of attention is that between the Police, Senior Shield finalists, and Lyemun. The latter commenced their League career with a number of disastrous results, but one can hardly reconcile the team of to-day with that of four months ago. Lyemun are definitely on the up-grade and before the commencement of next season should offer stern resistance to some of the teams at the top of the table.

Only one game in the Second Division is likely to offer real entertainment, that between South China and the Club. The latter, however, may, unfortunately, be without the services of Wilson,

KOWLOON AT HOME
TO NAVY
FAVoured To Secure
THREE POINTS

CROP OF JUNIOR MATCHES

(By "L.B.W.")

AFTER a week of inactivity, owing to the wet weather, local cricketers will be well provided for this afternoon when a full programme of matches will be carried out. The only senior division game of importance is that between Kowloon Cricket Club and the Navy, who will meet in a League engagement, and, unless the Navy produce their very best form, I predict a win for the K.C.C.

The Kowloon batsmen are in very good form just at the moment and are quite likely to rattle up a big score, though it is very doubtful whether their bowling will be strong enough for them to get the Navy out cheaply enough to force a win as Lt. Branwell, Lt. Davis, Lt. Bartley and Surg. Lt. Kirkwood are all in very good form with the bat, after a somewhat indifferent start early in the season.

The junior teams of these Clubs will also meet in the League, and here again Kowloon should win, in spite of the fact that they will be playing on a matting wicket.

AUSTRALIAN PONIES
CHAMPIONS

(Continued from Page 4)

Hopscotch (Mr. Marshall) is quite capable of creating a surprise, and should not be overlooked. Unicorn (Mr. D. S. Li), after his easy win in the Sports Club Cup over 1½ miles, will also have considerable support.

The Phaeon Handicap, Jungle Jim, High Speed, Soldier of Peace and Mayflower have been given top weights in this race, and may find their burdens too heavy if the track is still soft. Jungle Jim is pretty well-known by this time as a mudlark, and 163 lbs. may not affect him to any great extent. He carried 153 lbs. on Monday in the Carragh Stakes and won fairly easily.

Bistro has to take care of 165 lbs. and may not accept here.

Soldier of China (161 lbs.) looks rather tempting, but it must not be forgotten that Zero is also capable of winning, and, with only 140 lbs. to carry, he may cause an upset here.

The Happy Valley Spring Handicap

I think that Macaroni (Mr. Needs) should not find much difficulty in winning this race, although he will be strongly challenged by Pontiac Bay (Mr. Frost)—both will be carrying 161 lbs.

The Tiger and Sadko have not much to look after, and should not be far off at the finish.

King's Jubilee (Mr. Harriman) is also good for this race, and, after his fast finish in the Peking Plate last Tuesday, I rather think that Cyclamen Bay will be well supported.

I look to Macaroni, Pontiac Bay and The Tiger to finish in that order.

THE AUSTRALIAN PONIES CHAMPIONS

This is undoubtedly the most interesting race of the day, and will be worth going a long way to see.

Among the old ponies we have Able Amazon, Vixen Tor, and Bag Tor. The new ponies will be represented by Holiday Eve, Yo Ho, A Grand Time, Strathroy and Lancahire Lad.

Able Amazon (Mr. D. S. Li) has

not taken part in any race during the four days of racing this year and from what I saw of her yesterday morning, when she was extended to return a 0.28 last quarter, she is not in the best of condition. Holiday Eve (Mr. Needs) will provide a strong challenge, and Vixen Tor (Mr. Prolux) will have to look to her laurels if she is to beat Able Amazon.

Strathroy may find the distance a

little fancy. Great Hall (Mr. Marshall) should put up his last two outings. Mersey, with

a great fight, as she is fast and only 140 lbs. to carry, should not

be full of stamina. A Grand Time be overlooked. Soldier of Peace (Mr. Pote-Hunt) may possibly have 163 lbs. to look after, and may

cause an upset in the places. This find the burden too much.

SCOTLAND
AND IRELAND
MEET TO-DAYLocal International
Rugby FinalBOTH TEAMS GREATLY
STRENGTHENED

The final of the local international Rugby tournament will take place this afternoon on the Club ground, commencing at 5 p.m., when Scotland and Ireland clash in what should be a close struggle.

Both sides have made several changes, Scotland being strengthened in the back division by the inclusion of W. E. Grieve, the Shanghai Interport centre-quarter, who will support Sto. Warren on the inside, while Mr. McBride will replace in D. Coppin in the pack.

Ireland have also made several changes, S. C. Archer appearing on the right-wing in place of Hyams, while Desmond Hynes has replaced L/Cpl. Wall, of the Army at full-back.

Fraser will appear at left-centre three-quarter in support of Hopkins, and H. C. Meekie, the former Club scrum-half, has replaced Lt. Knox, of the Navy, as scrum-half. There are several changes at forward, the front row being entirely new with Scott and McElney, of the Club, and Cooper, of the Navy, replacing Lincoln, Gibbons and Gillespie, of the Army. Gillespie, however, will be seen in the middle of the back row.

The teams are:

Scotland—Lt. Euman (Navy); Sto. Warren (Navy); W. E. Grieve (Club); Lt. Comdr. St. Clair Ford (Navy) and H. R. McGilchrist (Club); J. Hutchison (Club) and J. L. Bonnici (Club); M. S. Cummings (Club); J. A. Dunnell (Club); Lt. Chapman (Navy); S. H. Garrod (Club) and Ldg. Sea Bell (Navy); Lt. Condon; D. D. Orr-Ewing (Navy); Mr. McBride (Army) and E. E. Gammell (Club).

Ireland—D. Hynes (Club); S. C. Archer (Club); Surg. Lt. Kirkwood (Navy); Lt. Fraser, R.M. (Navy); and E. F. Hopkins (Club); B. J. Gallogher (Club) and H. C. Meekie (Club); M. W. Scott (Club); J. H. McElney (Club); Lt. Cooper (Navy); D. J. Barlow (Club); Capt. Cullinan (Army); Lt. Esmond (Navy); Capt. Gillespie (Army) and F. J. McGegan (Club).

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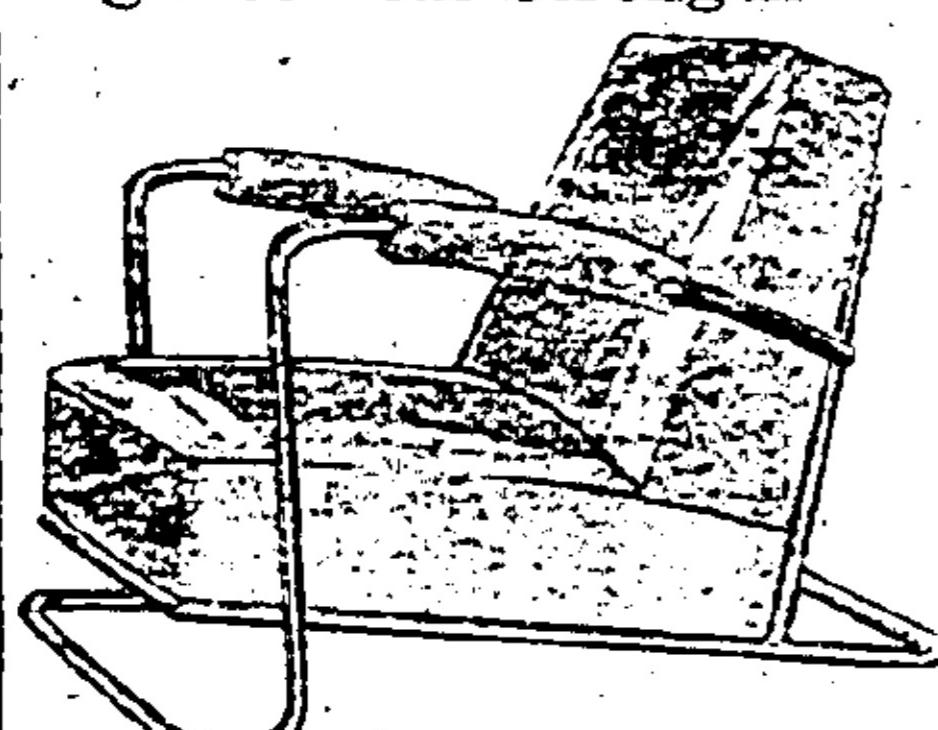


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Dictatorships

It has yet to be seen what reliance can be placed on the meagre news coming through from Tokyo about the revolt. A great deal of it seems to contradict itself, and absolutely nothing can be depended upon. But this is not really to be wondered at since it is only common sense to assume that the censorship, which has again apparently been tightened, will, in the nature of things, only let through just that amount of information which the Japanese authorities wish to be known. Second only in importance to the decisive point of whether the revolt is successful or not is the question of by whom exactly it has been engineered. There is an obvious attempt on somebody's part to suggest that it is a minor matter, for which only a few hotheaded junior officers are responsible. This may or may not be true. But it was surely no idle conjecture which allowed Reuter's agency in one of their messages to state that "the mutineers undoubtedly have the support of powerful military interests."

That is the crux of the matter: is the revolt merely an isolated case of mutiny on the part of junior officers, or is it in fact an outward expression of the deep-rooted wish for a militarist dictatorship which has been more or less openly evident in Japanese politics for some time? The two conjectures cannot be reconciled, unless it is a case of the old, old story of the monkey, the cat, the saw and the chestnuts in the fire. In other words, were the instigators sitting quietly in the background, watching how events turned out—which is a very big and important thing: or was there nothing behind the whole movement but the hotheaded desires of a few young men?

That the answers to these conjectures form a matter of supreme importance to us here and the Far East generally need not be laboured; it is obviously self-evident. No less important would be the matter of a change in regime in Japan from some show of democracy to a dictatorship—Fascist, military or other. Japan has

been an adept political pupil of the Western world hitherto; it remains to be seen whether she will carry her pupilage still further. In all conscience she has sufficient models these days to draw upon for the example. The world seems to be perceptibly moving nearer to an open breach between the few remaining democracies in concert against the allied newly-founded political dictatorships. Germany and Italy, Germany and Japan, word of secret agreements and pacts between these countries has been more than a whisper of late. And it seems not unreasonable to suggest that dictatorships looking for a soul-mate will be naturally attracted to regimes of their own kind—if only for the reasons that birds of a feather fly together, and that in such cases, when the voice of the people who might think otherwise is completely stifled, the decision rests with one man, not with the State *qua* State.

There is absolutely no denying the menace which a military or Fascist dictatorship in Japan would represent, especially in the Far East. The comparison of the Japanese militarists with the German General Staff in 1914 is another tragic lesson to be learned.

fortunate habit of repeating itself. Well, the evidence of history is there for those who can read it: are the Japanese militarists among them, or will another tragic lesson be

HOURS OF WORK EXPERIMENT

New Zealand Goes Ahead

THE 40-HOUR WEEK

(By Ebenezer Blackwood)
The 40-hour week is no longer a matter of merely academic interest. A British Dominion, New Zealand, is the latest country to give serious attention to the proposal. With the definite aim of bringing about a shorter working week, the Government has empowered the Minister of Labour to call a conference representing the employers' and workers' organisations. Many proposed changes in industrial legislation will be discussed, but no secret is made of the fact that the hours question is the primary object of the conference.

Thus further evidence is provided that, in the last few years, the popularity of this idea has increased by leaps and bounds. It seems only yesterday that the Italian delegate to the International Labour Conference of the League of Nations brought forward his tentative proposal, which was greeted with a certain amount of doubt and incredulity. Italy hoped to find, in the reduction of hours of work, a part solution of the unemployment problem.

There was a good deal of sympathy with this object. But questions were asked which were difficult to answer without practical experience. Would it be possible to introduce a shorter working week without reducing wages? If not, would the workers be content to accept less money so that the remainder could pass into the pay envelopes of the new hands taken on? And so on.

Trials Given

Since then, both officially and privately, the 40-hour week has been given a trial in many countries. In view of the "New Deal," the decision of the United States of America to join the League's International Labour Organisation proved of the utmost importance. Prominent British firms, which have introduced shorter hours without loss of pay, are reported to be satisfied with the result of their bold experiment.

At the last International Labour Conference at Geneva, a general convention of principle was adopted expressing approval of the 40-hour week principle, with the maintenance of the standard of living. This year, attempts will be made to apply the scheme to definite industries, and further conventions will be drafted with this end in view.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The Ministering League are holding a Carnival Dance on Wednesday next, March 4, at the China Fleet Club, commencing at 9 p.m.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Rotary Club, the speaker will be Mr. C. Champkin, who has selected as his subject "Managing the Currency."

Herr Franz von Papen, 25-year old son of the former German Chancellor, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday morning aboard the German freighter Sauerland. He is accompanied by Mr. Carl Behncke, a Shanghai business man, whose firm he is joining.

Sir Frederick W. and Lady Maze passed through Hong Kong yesterday on their way to Manila on board the Empress of Japan. Sir Frederick has been Inspector General of the Chinese Maritime Customs since 1923.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bush, of Shanghai, were also arrivals this morning by the m.v. Asama Maru.

Mr. D. W. Wagstaff, of Shanghai, arrived in the Colony this morning by the m.v. Asama Maru.

The Sincere Co., Ltd. announce that they will close their stores for the whole day tomorrow (Sunday) for their annual stock-taking, but will resume business on Monday.

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Here
There
and
Everywhere.

THE KING'S STURGEON

The King's first sturgeon came to him under a statute *prerogativa regis* of Edward III's reign. This lays down that "sturgeon and grampus, or great fishes" belong to the Crown "if taken in the seas forming parcel of the dominions of the Crown; if taken in the wide seas they belong to the taker."

In the case of grampus, the Queen Consort is entitled to the tail portion, the fin to the body, and the King to the head. The reason given for this curious division in old law books is that the tail contains whalebone for the Queen's wardrobe. Actually, the whalebone is in the head. The Crown is also entitled by prerogative right to "all white swans swimming in open and common rivers provided they are wild and unmarked."

WIMPOL STREET OF OTHER DAYS

The Barretts, whose house, No. 50, was recently being demolished, were not the only celebrities of Wimpole Street.

In its earlier days the street's fame was by no means almost exclusively medical, as it is now. Edmund Burke was living there in 1757. The Duchess of Wellington was a resident while her husband was busy with the Peninsular War.

At No. 12 lived Admiral Lord Hood. Henry Hallam wrote at No. 67 his "Constitutional History of England," living there from 1826 to 1841.

Mrs. Cipriani, widow of the painter and friend of Wedgwood, lived at No. 21 in 1826.

Your Daily Smile!

Living Up To It
And then there's the story of the wine company director who, on going overseas, booked a cabin on the port side.

"When does the next train leave for Canton?" she asked.
"At 2.50, madam," replied the station master.

"Make it 2.48 and I'll take it," she said absently.

The Modern Way
"I read in a book that Apollo was chasing a nymph, and she turned into a tree."
"He was lucky. The one I'm chasing always turns into a jeweller's shop or a restaurant."

AFTER MUSSOLINI— WHAT'S AHEAD?

POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF BREAKDOWN

PRINCE OF PIEDMONT A RALLYING POINT FOR NATION

(By Ferdinand Tuohy)

TREMENDOUS adventures such as that upon which the Duce has embarked with a combination of self-confidence, decision, and will surely never exceed in history, have a habit of conducting to personal endings. Maybe it is triumph, maybe it is very much the contrary. Whatever it turns out to be, the solution is seldom a peters-out affair, leaving the great man even approximately where he was before.

The growing belief that Italy is making a mess of her Ethiopian campaign, in addition to lining up against herself most of the world save minority Fascist elements in one or two lands, is not surprisingly having the effect of causing an ever-wider international radius of people to wonder if supposing Mussolini went? Not to-day, nor yet perhaps in the immediate to-morrow, but eventually? What would supervene?

It is a vast question, because the chances are that if the Duce had to go he would not do so without attempting to shake down all kinds of columns far and near; the Italians simply are not Communists—their history, psychology lie totally away from Russia. Here is what Signor Bonomi, the Premier, has to say about that Red bogey.

"The fact that the attempted revolution was beaten without any infringement of liberty made the victory decisive and complete. This was the crowning moment of the Socialist agitation, the one great revolutionary experiment, simultaneous and concerted, that was tried in Italy. A movement suppressed by force and bloodshed leaves a legacy of hatred and revenge in social life for decades, but if it is allowed to spend itself unresisted it realises its own futility, and is done with for ever. Such was the end of the virus of Bolshevism that had infected the working classes. From that moment the Socialist Party began to decline, and within two years it lay beaten at the feet of Fascism."

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



AUTOGYRO TRAVELS IN AIR OR ON LAND

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut.-Colonel H. S. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Hong Kong, Friday, 18th February, 1936.

GENERAL

Efficiency Medal Presentation It is notified for the information of all Ranks that H. E. The Governor will present Efficiency Medals to members of the Corps at 6 p.m. on Monday 9th March. Separate instruction have been issued.

PARADE

There will be no parades at Corps Headquarters on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 4th, 5th and 6th March.

Corps Signals

Parade at Corps H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 3rd March.

Corps Engineers

Monday, March 2nd.—Miniature Range.

Friday, March 6th.—Week-end Training, Pak Sha Wan Launch will leave Queen's Pier 6 p.m. and Police Pier, Kowloon at 6.10. Dress, Tunic, Slacks, Cap, Equipment, Drill Order with Rifle and Bayonet. Overalls should be taken and advance luggage must be at H.Q. by 12 noon.

Monday, March 9th.—Parade at H.Q. for presentation of efficiency medals by H. E. The Governor. Details later.

Armoured Car Section

Section will parade at H.Q. on Tuesday, 2nd March 1936 at 5.30 for the Belt Filling Competition.

Motor Machine Gun Section

Monday, March 2nd.—Parade at H.Q. Lecture Room at 5.30 p.m. for lecture on Map Reading. As this will be of vital importance in the near future, a full attendance is expected.

Tuesday, March 3rd.—The following members will parade at H.Q. in preparation for the Belt filling contest. L/Cpls. S. A. Fowler, N. Whitley, Ptes. V. Bond, H. Hopkins, B. Hynes, D. Smith, H. Hickman, C. Bander.

No. 2 (Scottish) Company

There will be no parade on Thursday 5th March.

Rifle Part III will be fired on Sunday 1st March.

Pouches must be worn. Launch, Queen's Pier 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Pier 8.40 a.m.

Range Officer detailed by, O. C. No. 2 Co.

No. 3 (M.G.) Company

Parade at H.Q. on Monday, 2nd March at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instructions. Subject "Handling." Dress: Nupti, no equipment.

Machine Gun Bn. Signals

Wednesday, March 4th.—There will be no parade at H.Q. Sunday March 1st. See launch arrangements elsewhere. Will those who intend to fire, please advise O. C. Section before Saturday noon.

Corps Infantry

Parade—Tuesday, March 3rd. at 5.30 p.m. at H.Q. Lecture Room.

Lecture by Corps Signalling Officer—Lieut. J. H. Bottomley on "Communications."

As this subject is of the utmost importance in our training all ranks are urged to make a special effort to attend.

Air Arm

The undermentioned are transferred to the Volunteer Air Arm as ab initio Candidates with effect from to-day's date.

Sgt. R. J. V. Everest

Pte. A. F. Walkden.

Pte. L. A. Da Roza.

The undermentioned are transferred to a Refresher Course and will not exceed six hours flying per quarter.

Flight Cadet N. A. E. Mackay.

Flight Cadet W. E. Peers.

Flight Cadet D. R. Ryde.

Flight Cadet J. L. Bonnar.

Flight Cadet H. Burson.

Flight Cadets G. Polglase and H. L. Tudor will complete the Course for 1st year candidates.

Flight Cadet L. F. Nicholson is transferred to the Air Arm Reserve with effect from to-day's date.

Flight Cadet A. M. W. Scott re-signed from the Air Arm on 14.12.36.

APPOINTMENT

Lieutenant V. C. Branson, M.C. is appointed Officer i/c Anti-Gas



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The aeroplane of the future, designed to eliminate most of the hazards encountered in landing, will permit the average adult to do so after brief instruction.

That was the prediction of Fred E. Weick, senior engineer of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, in a paper read recently at the convention of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Learning To Land

"Learning to fly is largely a matter of learning to land," Mr. Weick said, explaining that aeroplanes in experimental use now give strong reason for hope that the plane "for every man" is rapidly nearing realisation.

This plane probably will be equipped with a stable, three-wheel landing gear with one wheel ahead of the two which carry the load, he said. This will do much to prevent the plane nosing over or ground looping, eliminate bouncing, and permit landings to be made "almost regardless of wind direction, the air speed at contact, or the manner in which the aeroplane is guided to the ground," he added.

Freedom From Stalling

By means of improved wing control, freedom from danger of stalling was obtained in an experimental plane built by Mr. Weick and two fellow engineers, he said. Glide control flap proved very helpful in enabling an unskilled pilot to land with greater accuracy than a good pilot in a conventional plane."

COMPARATIVE QUIETNESS

The quietness of modern air transports is due largely to the fact that the huge propellers are geared to revolve at comparatively low speeds.

REGULARITY

Major U. S. air liners last year completed on time 95 to 99 percent of all scheduled trips.

Measures vice Lieut. C. de S. Robertson with effect from 25.2.36.

TRANSFER

No. 1616 Pte. J. J. Ferguson, No. 2 (Scottish) Company is transferred to Unit Reserve, No. 2 Co. as from 28.2.36.

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH

Permitted To Resign

No. 2208 Pte. C. E. Lowe, No. 1 (M.G.) Coy. as from 28.2.36.

(Sdg.) R. C. B. ANDERSON.

Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. Affiliated Unit.

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. Appointment:

Mrs. E. H. Begg to be Assistant

Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. with effect from 28.2.36.

(Sdg.) K. DUREAN.

Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

NOTICE

The Reconnaissance arranged for in No. 3 (M.G.) Company Circular, for Sunday March 1st is cancelled.

MACHINE TESTED IN AMERICA

AMAZING POSSIBILITIES OPENED UP

PERSONAL AIR TRANSPORTATION FOR THE AMATEUR FLIER

WHERE is the automobile that a person who had never driven before could step into and drive away with ease? There is none, of course, for in order to drive a car there must be a considerable amount of practice before one is accustomed to the controls.

Yet an aeroplane is shortly to come into the aviation picture which may be easier to operate than a car, will have some automobile features and yet have none of the inherent danger in the air of going into a spin or motor failure.

This is the new "roadable autogyro" which is apparently ready for commercial production by Harold F. Pitcairn, Philadelphia aircraft builder.

With the knowledge of this Spanish inventor, had many of autogyro in the offing it is fairly reasonable to suppose that an era

of personal air transportation for the amateur is about to begin, as the pilot may later descend when he is headed into thick weather, go

along the road until he has outridden it take off again and continue on his way. Or in landing at a large field distant from the business centre of a city the pilot may fold his gyro vanes and proceed along the road. Landing in a cross wind, an autogyro pilot, to prevent a tipover, would merely need to move his undercarriage wheels in the direction of the drift.

Many Advantages

The roadable autogyro seems to offer the flexibility features of an automobile plus the point-to-point time-saving element of flight. Thus it may be said to be an almost ideal method of travel. The individual, "idealistic" elements which appear to be the following:

Independence of the weather. Independence of engine failure. Ability to move from or to field under own power.

Control under any speed.

Ability to take off from any size field.

The autogyro as originally conceived by Juan de la Cierva, its

drift, which causes the craft to leave the ground in helicopter fashion.

Then, giving the motor the "gun" or throttle, the pilot creates forward flight at a good height from the ground. This feature will allow takeoffs from "postage stamp" airports, while at the same time its vertical descent will permit landings at small fields. Thus the pilot may land nearer his own home without being obliged to mingle with scheduled air traffic at big airfields.

Great Possibilities

With a speed of 200 miles an hour available, the effect on the suburban boundaries of people's lives is bound to be tremendous. Daily commuting from a "place in the country" located as far as 80 to 100 miles from the city will be common. With automobile tourism in its present enlarged state, the gyro will extend the travel imaginations of people even farther.

These machines are bombing planes, but four will be converted

for civil aviation purposes into civil aircraft and will be used by South African Airways for their flying services, this being another instance of the co-operation in defence matters between the South African Defence Force and the South African Railways and Harbours Administration.

The planes will be used for locating the seals, and will mean a saving of time:

Five ice-breakers and three aeroplanes are taking part, in addition to four other vessels.

The headquarters of the expedition will be on Murzovskaya Island, Moscow.

OPEN COCKPIT MACHINES

Small open cockpit aeroplanes led in aircraft production figures for 1934.

They will all be built in England and will be delivered in South Africa ready to take the air.

Night Classes Range From Art To Flying

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By A. E. L.

THE new number of the over. Stamps on the new watermarked paper should be available very shortly.

Northern Rhodesia.—It is rumoured that a new issue is to be made for this Colony. No confirmation is yet forthcoming from official sources.

St. Lucia.—St. Lucia's new postage stamps will appear on the first of next month. No new general issue has appeared here for about 22 years.

As the new St. Lucian pictorials will be on sale next month, the old 3d and 6d in plate number blocks showing Plate No. 28 should be useful property.

Bermuda.—A new set of stamps is in preparation, states the Crown Agents' Bulletin, in the following values and colours:-

- 1s. Green.
- 1d. Black and red.
- 1½d. Black and Brown.
- 2d Black and slate-grey.
- 2½d. Light and deep blue.
- 3d. Black and red.
- 6d. Red and mauve.
- 1s. Green.
- 1s. 6d. Brown.

They will be in six different designs, details of which have not been announced except that a portrait of His Majesty is to figure in the top right corner of the 1d, 1½d, 2½d, and 1s. values.

Egypt.—The first supply of the latest 3 m. Xmas Military Seal proved insufficient to meet the demand, and, while a fresh printing was being made, the 1935 1 p. carmine Military Seal was surcharged locally. "Xmas 1935—3 Milliemes."

Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika:—I notice that although a number of the values of the current pictorials are being reprinted, the 65 c. is not among them.

Malaya.—The new stamps have all been printed by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., in sheets of 100 (10 x 10), and all have the Plate No. 1 in the bottom sheet margin, but the issues of the various States differ from one another slightly in the positioning of the imprint and plate number as follows:-

Pahang.—Thomas de la Rue & Co., Ltd., London, imprint below last four stamps of the row:—plate number beneath fourth stamp.

Perak:—Imprint below Nos. 5 to 8: plate number as last.

Negri Sembilan.—As Perak.

Selangor.—Imprint below Nos. 4 to 7 (i.e. central) plate number in right hand sheet margin opposite seventh horizontal row. In connection with the use of these stamps, I am told that, although naturally each state only sells its own stamps, they can be employed indiscriminately in any of the four states. I also understand that when the new Straits Settlements issue has appeared they will also be usable in this territory.

I shall incidentally, be interested to learn why the name of the state does not appear in English on the Selangor stamps.

Morocco Agencies.—The new 10 centimos on 1d E. B. photographovariable show the V34 control and cylinder No. 25. This means, incidentally, that the stamps are of the intermediate size.

New Zealand.—I read in the Bulletin of the N. Z. Philatelic Society that the latest Health stamp was printed in Melbourne at the Commonwealth Stamp Printing Works. This would appear to be the first time Australia has done such work for her sister Dominion.

The value of the forthcoming Anzac stamp will be 1d + 1d one, the premium going to the fund for the relief of distress among returned soldiers.

Stamp booklets containing stamps of the new 1d "Kiwi" type were placed on sale on November 18. A special plate has been made for this booklet issue and I understand that the original die has been deepened.

Owing to the difficulty in obtaining a correct register of the watermark on stamps of the pictorial issue, it has been decided to print future supplies on paper watermarked "N Z and Star" all

HOTEL CECIL WEDDING CHAN—NG

LARGE NUMBER OF GUESTS
PRESENT

A Chinese wedding of great interest was solemnised at the Hotel Cecil yesterday, when Miss Ng How-ying, niece of Mr. Ng Hong-ting, became the bride of Mr. Chan Wai-kuen, of Messrs. Melchers and Co. The ceremony was performed by the Hon. Dr. Ts'o See-wan.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. Chan Shau-ting, a well-known merchant and a brother of Mr. Chan Wai-chuen, manager of the Hotel Cecil. He was educated at St. Paul's College, where he was a scholar and a fine volleyball player.

Entering on the arm of the bridegroom and carrying a bouquet of white sweetpeas, the bride looked charming in a white gown of satin. She was attended by Miss Rosemary Tang as her bridesmaid, who carried a nosegay of pink gladioli and wore a dress of powder-blue satin. The duties of the bestman were discharged by Mr. Chung Yu-wing, while the Misses Tang Yiu-fun, Ho Ching-ha and Ip Chor-hang were flower girls and Master Ip Tai-tak was the page.

Guests Present

Among those present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kam-tong, Mr. and Mrs. She Tat-cheung, Messrs. F. Zimmern, Ng Chak-wah, E. Zimmer, G. Schulte, W. Sporlader, L. Pracht, H. Schmidt, E. W. Welsing, Misses A. Schulte, N. Zimmern, Messrs. Tse Yu-chuen, George She, Hon Kam-shing, Mr. and Mrs. Ip Ching-suen, Mrs. Wong Kam-fook, Mrs. Ho Yiu, Mrs. H. Leung, Mrs. Ho Wing, Mrs. H. Cheuk, Mrs. Ho Ki, Mrs. Ho Kwong, Mr. and Mrs. Tang Man-kui, Messrs. Tang Man-chun and Tang Man-wah.

A dinner was held at the Kwong Chow Restaurant, West Point, in the evening and was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends. The happy couple will spend their honeymoon at Canton.

FOR LOCAL RIFLE ENTHUSIASTS

Over 170 Persons Enjoy Annual Function

The Kowloon Golf Club held their annual dinner dance at the Peninsula Hotel last night when over 170 persons thoroughly enjoyed the dance music supplied by the Hotel orchestra.

Mr. H. M. Mundy, the President of the Club, and Mrs. Mundy were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Dodwell, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. W. Paterson, Col. H. D. and Mrs. Matthews, Mr. A. C. L. Bowker, Mr. W. A. Stewart, Mr. F. C. Barry, Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., Miss S. Browning, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Collis, Miss Linnartz and Miss Henderson.

Mr. J. D. Thomson (Vice-President) and Mrs. Thomson, and Mr. A. J. Dennis (Captain of the Club) and Mrs. Dennis also entered.

High Jump (Senior):—
1. Wong Shiu-ling; 2. Lui Fook-tong; 3. Cheung Fok-hang.

High Jump (Junior):—
1. Pun Sai-on; 2. Ng Chi-chik; 3. Kwok Wan-pun.

Flag Race (Small Boys):—
1. Choy Yuk-ting; 2. Chan Fuk-yeo; 3. Hui Yin-wai.

Long Jump (Senior):—
1. Cheung Hok-hanz; 2. Ng Chi-chik; 3. Lam Yuen-chuen.

Long Jump (Junior):—
1. Foo Woon-cheung; 2. Chan Ho-yiu; 3. Chan Chak-man.

Egg and Spoon Race (Small Boys):—
1. Chan Fuk-yeo; 2. Lee Tin-tak; 3. Yuen Man-wah.

Three-Legged Race (Open):—
1. Yeung Shau-wing and Yeung Sai-kwong; 2. Man Sing-yu and Chan Kok-kwong; 3. Ng Chi-chik and Wong Kwok-cheun.

300 Yards (Senior):—
1. Wong Shiu-ling; 2. Man Sing-yu; 3. Lui Fook-tong.

300 Yards (Junior):—
1. Foo Woon-cheung; 2. Lam Yuen-chuen; 3. Kwok Wan-pun.

200 Yards (Small Boys):—
1. Tsang Fuk-yeo; 2. Ip Ping-kwong; 3. Hin Yai-yung.

Sack Race (Open):—
1. Ng Chi-chik; 2. Lui Fook-tong; 3. Lee Kim-tak.

Half Mile (Open):—
1. Lui Fook-tong; 2. Leung Chi-kwong; 3. Wong Shiu-ling.

Consolation Race (Handicaps):—
1. Lee Fuk-yeo; 2. Leung Hang-wai; 3. Chan Kai-ling.

400 Yards (Post Pups):—
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To-day's Short Story

ORANGES

By William Saroyan

THEY told him, Stand-on-the-corner with two of the biggest oranges in your hand and when an automobile goes by smile, and wave the oranges at them. Five cents each if you want one, his Uncle Jake said, three for ten cents, thirty-five cents a dozen. Smile big, he said. You can smile, can't you? Luke? You got it in you to smile once in a while ain't you?

He tried very hard to smile and his Uncle Jake made a terrible face, so he knew it was a bad smile. He wished he could laugh out loud the way some people laughed, only they weren't scared the way he was, and alway mixed-up.

I never did see such a serious boy in all my life, his uncle Jake said. Luke, Luke, he said.

His uncle squatted down so his head would be level with his, so he could look into his eyes and talk to him.

Luke, he said. They won't buy oranges if you don't smile. Understand? People like to see a little boy smiling, selling oranges. It makes them happy.

He listened to his uncle talking to him, looking at his uncle's eyes, and he understood the words. What he felt, though, was: Jake is mixed up, too. He saw the man stand up and heard him groan, just like his father used to groan.

Jake was his father's younger brother and he looked like his father. Of course, she always had to say his father was better off dead just because he was no good at selling stuff. She was always telling Jake. This is America. You got to sell things. You got to get around and meet people and make them like you.

And Jake was always saying, Make them like me? How can I make them like me? And she was always getting sore at him and saying, O you fool. If I didn't have this baby in my belly, I'd go out and work in Woolworth's and keep you like a child. You ain't fit to be somebody.

Jake had that same desperate look his father had, and he was always getting sore at himself and wanting other people to be happy. Jake was always asking him to smile.

All right, Jake said. All right, all right, all right, kill me, drive me crazy. Sure I should be dead. Ten boxes of oranges and not a penny and nothing to eat. I should be dead. Should I stand in the street, holding oranges? Should I get wagon maybe and go through the street? I should be dead, he said.

Then Jake made a face, so sad it looked like nobody was ever that sad in the world, not even him, and he wished he didn't want to cry because Jake was so sad. On top of that Jake's wife got sorer than ever and began to cry the way she cried when she got real sore and you could just feel how terrible everything was because she didn't cry sad, she cried sore, reminding Jake of all the bills and all the hard times she had had with him and all about the baby in her belly, to come out, she said. Why, why, what good is another fool in the world?

There was a box of oranges on the floor, and she picked up two of them, crying, and she said, No fire in the stove, in November, all of us freezing. The house should be full of the smell of meat. Here, she cried, eat. Eat your oranges. Eat them until you die, and she cried and cried.

Jake was too sad to talk. He sat down and began to wave back and forth, looking crazy. And they asked him to laugh. And Jake's wife kept walking in and out of the room, holding the oranges and crying.

After a while she stopped crying.

Now take him to a corner, she said, and see if he can't get a little money.

Jake was just about deaf, it looked like. He didn't even lift his head. So she shouted.

Take him to the corner. Ask him to smile at the people. We got to eat.

What's the use to be alive when everything is rotten and nobody knows what to do? What's the use to go to school and learn arithmetic and read poems and paint eggplants and all that stuff?

What's the use to sit in a cold room until it is time to go to bed and hear Jake and his wife fight?

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Is Birth-Control Wrong?

Mrs. Evangeline Booth v. Mrs. Sanger

Well-Known Doctor's Viewpoint

(By SIR BRUCE BRUCE-PORTER, K.B.E., C.M.G.)

(The following article is of particular interest at this time, in view of the recent visit to Hong Kong of Mrs. Margaret Sanger and the local controversy on the question of birth-control.)

"In the name of birth-control immorality is stalking through our land poisoning the minds of our young people. Chastity is menaced and betrayed and adultery encouraged."

So says Mrs. Bramwell Booth, widow of the famous chief of the Salvation Army, and the fact that her accusation against the "birth-controllers" has called forth a string of protests from men and women, both married and single, all over Great Britain proves that the subject is one which is receiving a great deal of attention from the public.

"... I am thirty years of age — worn out; dispirited, hopeless. I have brought into the world five children—not one of whom should ever have been born. Life for us all is merely misery. When I married the selfish wastrel who was forced upon me by my parents, I knew nothing of life. I was absolutely inexperienced.

"Now he has gone off and left us all in this appalling position; and I should like to see the advocate of 'bigger families' or 'down with birth-control,' who would dare to face me!..."

A Family Of Fifteen

The above is but one of the letters I have received which tell the other side of the story; finally, a working woman, herself, one of a family of 15, and the mother of a child of 10, replies to Mrs. Bramwell Booth's accusation by saying: "If Mrs. Bramwell Booth was a poor working woman, with only a small weekly wage and a lot of hungry mouths to feed, she would not regard birth-control as immoral, or leading to immorality, but as a blessing."

Obviously, there is a great deal to be said against birth control, just as there is a great deal to be said for it; but if we are entirely fair-minded we shall see that the pros seem to outweigh the cons. First of all, it is argued by those who are against it, that it is an "unnatural" process, and one which is inclined to defeat the ends of nature.

In A "Natural" State

Speaking as a doctor I do not agree with this, because I consider that from the "natural" point of view, many of the children born into the world to-day would not be allowed to survive in any other sphere of natural life.

While I have met many splendid men and women who are opposed to the practice or teaching of birth-control, and whilst I have found in many cases that their arguments were based on what they considered to be the soundest principles of morality, yet I regret to say that I have always found that those people who condemn the practice of birth-control most strongly are those unfor-

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Among others, the following citations from the Bible will be read: "He spake also this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down: why cumbereth in the ground?"

"And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down." (Luke 13:6-9).

Divine Principle

The Lesson Sermon will also include the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:

"Jesus established his church and maintained his mission on a spiritual foundation of Christ-healing. He taught his followers that his religion had a divine Principle, which would cast out error and heal both the sick and the sinning. He claimed no intelligence, action, nor life separate from God. Despite the persecution this brought upon him, he used his divine power to save men both bodily and spiritually.

"His students saw this power of Truth heal the sick, cast out evil, raise the dead: but the ultimate of this wonderful work was not spiritually discerned, even by them, until after the crucifixion, when their immaculate Teacher stood before them, the victor over sickness, sin, disease, death, and the grave." (Pages 136 and 137).

The professional classes include the clergy, the civil service, many sections of highly-intelligent brain-workers, right down to the small business man. These people can no longer afford the "old-fashioned" families of eight or ten children, and few families to-day have more than one—or at most two—children.

And so it is that the old saying that "the woman always pays" is very true in regard to this matter; for excessive child-bearing can and does bring about definite physical breakdowns, so that the unfortunate mother—especially if, as in many cases, she is forced also by economic circumstances to help, with the family exchequer—is unable to care for the earlier born children at a time when they most need her help.

The proportion of our young unmarried women who wish to be as coöctes is too small and too unimportant to make them a factor in a problem which means life and health to so many thousands of their married sisters.

Religious Opposition

Finally, the religious bodies who oppose birth-control invariably teach that sin is a matter of intention more than a matter of act, and, on this basis of reasoning, I fail to see how it is possible to contend that the sin is prevented merely by removing the means of its safe commitment!

The sooner we realize that progress—real progress—means the survival of the best, and not the worst, and calls for the best citizens of the future" that we can produce, the sooner shall we give grave, national consideration to a subject which is too important to be shelved.

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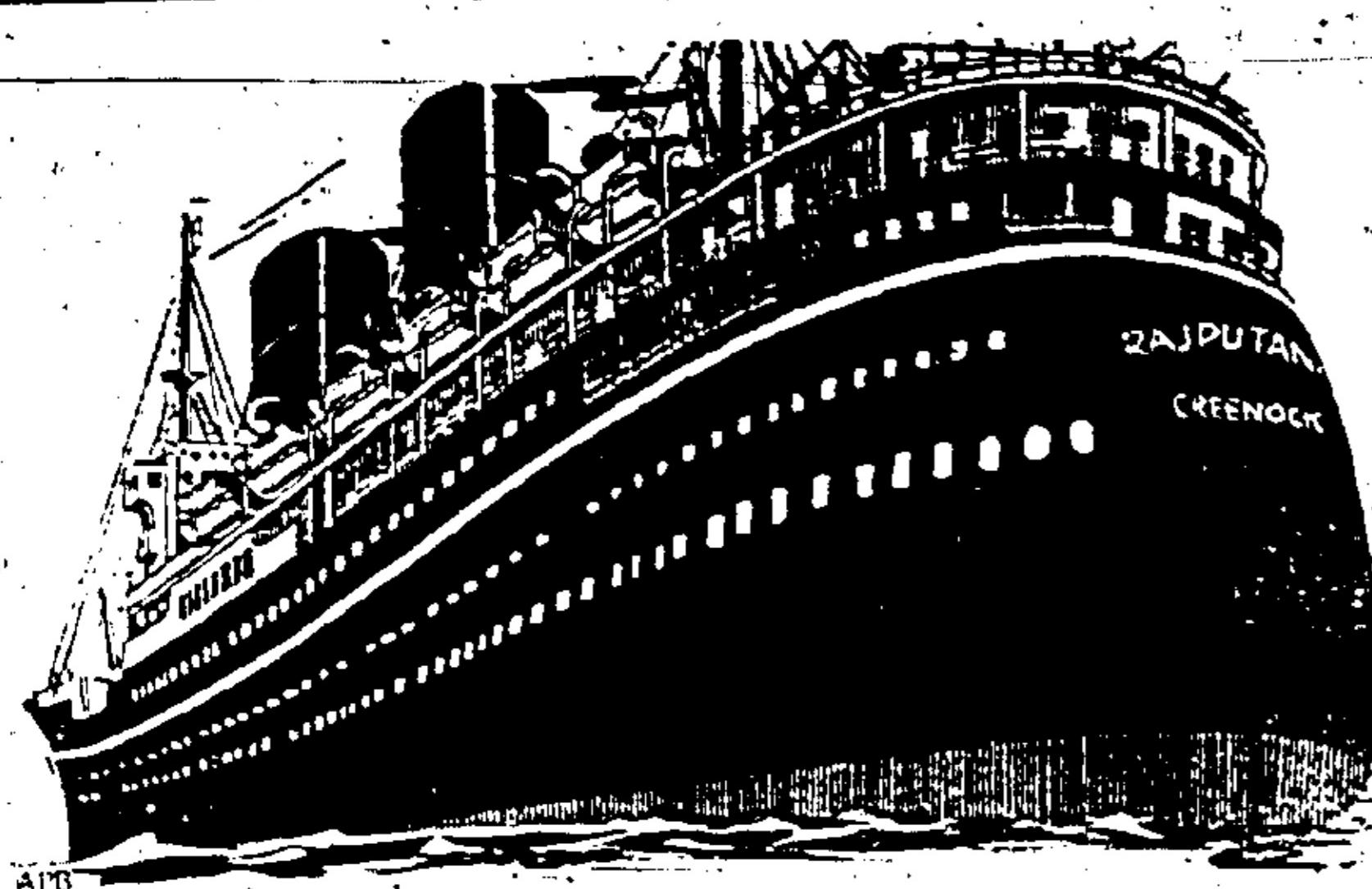
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ORANGES

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ing all the time and go to sleep like they were going to stop, so see the sky and feel the cold air moved closer to the street.

He saw their faces very close, and shiver and walk to school and eat oranges for lunch instead of bread?

Jake jumped up and began to shout at his wife. He said he would kill her and then stick a knife in his heart, so she cried more than ever and tore her dress, and she was naked to the waist, and she said, All right, better all of us were dead, but Jake put his arms around her and walked into the other room with her, and he could hear her crying and kissing him and telling him he was just a baby, a great big baby, and he needed her like a mother.

He had been standing in the corner, and it all happened so swiftly he had not noticed how tired he had become; but he was very tired and hungry, so he sat down. What is the use to be alive if you are all alone in the world and no mother, and father and nobody to love you? He wanted to cry, but what is the use to cry when it don't do any good anyhow?

After a while Jake came out of the room, and he was trying to smile. All you got to do, Luke, he said, is hold two big oranges in your hand and wave them at the people when they go by in their automobiles, and smile. You'll sell a box of oranges in no time, Luke.

I'll smile, he said. One for five cents, three for ten cents, thirty-five cents a dozen.

That's it, said Jake. Jake lifted the box of oranges from the floor and began walking to the back door.

It was very sad in the street. Jake holding the box of oranges, and him walking beside Jake, listening to Jake telling him to smile big, and the sky was sad, and there were no leaves on the trees, and the street was sad, and it was very funny, the smell of the oranges was so clean and good and they looked so nice it was very funny. The oranges looked so nice and they didn't feel anything.

Then another automobile went by while he smiled and waved his arm, but the people just looked at him, and that was all. If they would just smile back it wouldn't be so terrible to be alive, but just going by and not even smiling back! A lot of automobiles went by, and it looked like he ought to sit down and stop smiling and cry, because it was terrible. They didn't want any oranges, and they didn't like to see him smile the way his uncle Jake said they would. They just saw him and didn't do anything else.

It began to be pretty dark, and for all he cared the whole world could end. He just guessed he would be standing there holding up his arm and smiling until the end of the world.

I'll smile, he said. Then Jake jumped up, like maybe he couldn't get up at all unless he jumped up, and he went hurrying down the street, walking away swiftly, making it a sad world, five cents for one, three for ten cents, thirty-five cents a dozen.

He picked out two of the biggest oranges and held them in his right hand, and lifted his arm over his head. It didn't seem right. It seemed sad. What's the use to hold two big oranges in your hand and lift your arm over your head and get ready to smile at people going by in automobiles?

It looked like a long time before he saw an automobile coming up the street from town, right on his side, and when it got closer he saw there was a man driving and a lady in the back with two kids. He smiled very big when they got right close, but it didn't look

AFTER MUSSOLINI WHAT'S AHEAD

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A Zenith

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If the Italians were not built for Communism during the ruderless period of crisis on crisis that followed the war, how much less so can they be constructed that way to-day, after all these years of sternest moulding, a good deal under the transforming Corporations.

Possibly these have never worked to anything like the extent that Fascists would have us believe; none the less they constitute the main change effected by the Duce, and in any revolutionary effervescence would obviously be much to the fore. This "economic system with a profound philosophical background" is a compromise between pure individualistic capitalism and State control.

The Corporations ban all strikes, under the Labour Charter, and they are: Agriculture, Industry, Commerce, Internal Transport, Sea and Air, Banking and Commerce, Professional men and Artists.

Growing Indictment

A growing indictment of the Duce is couched as follows: "He first led on Youth by promising a new golden age under the Corporations. When these didn't come up to scratch he directed Youth's attention to the grasping, weak, and venal neighbour across the Alps (France) and, on making terms with Laval last January, he had to find another incentive to Youth and so found it in Africa. When Italian Youth sees that it has been sold three pups in succession it will rebel and then Mussolini will have to look out."

This is an extreme view but with a deal of truth in it; notwithstanding, one does not see Italy turning Communist as the result of most distressful possible times to come. More likely would occur one or other of these three denouements:

Grand Fascist Council

Second:—The Grand Fascist Council goes into action with a view to ruling the country. This is what all orthodox Fascists tell you will be the inevitable sequel to any vacancy at the Palazzo Venezia.

In effect one reads: "The Grand Fascist Council is the supreme repository of power. The King appoints the Head of the Government from a panel presented by the Council and he subsequently acts with regard to this Head on the advice of the Council, which also holds the matter of the Royal prerogative and Royal succession in its hands. The Council also chooses Corporation candidates, M.P.'s lists, endorses all treaties and legislation, and deals directly with the Pope. It is a patrician oligarchy comprised of the three surviving quadrupeds—the Duce, Count de Vecchi, Marshal de Bono—the Ministers of State, the Presidents of the Senate and of the Corporations, the three most important under-secretaries, all ex-Ministers who since 1927 have served five years with the Government (this lets in Marshal Balbo and Signor Grandi), General Secretary Starace of the Party, the C.G.S. of the Militia, and the President of the Special Tribunals. The Council is the guardian of the power and tradition of the Fascist Revolution."

Duce's Hope

In fact there is not the slightest doubt that the Duce's plan and hope, in the event of anything happening to himself, is that this Council of about 25 chiefs would at once proceed to carry on in his stead, later electing one or even three from among its ranks as follow-on dictatorial timber. But would the country stand for the Council which has been 100 per cent Mussolini all through? And in the event of a revolution of feeling against the Council, what next in the way of alternative?

Third:—Rallying of the country round the King and a form of military dictatorship for the time being. There is much latent sympathy with His Majesty over the way he has been treated, and nowhere is this stronger than in the Army, of which he has remained the chief—almost the one position of honour that has been left him.

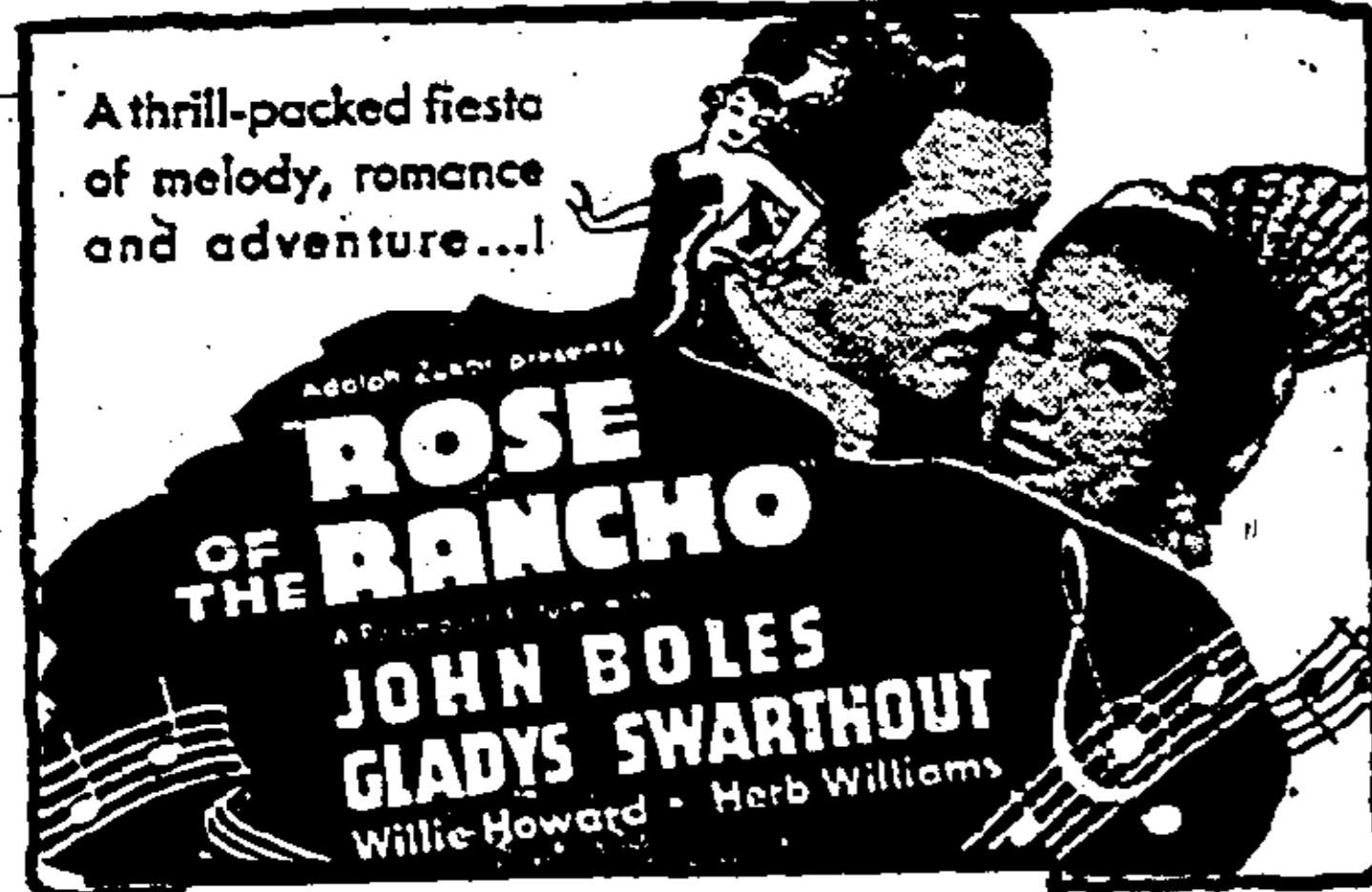
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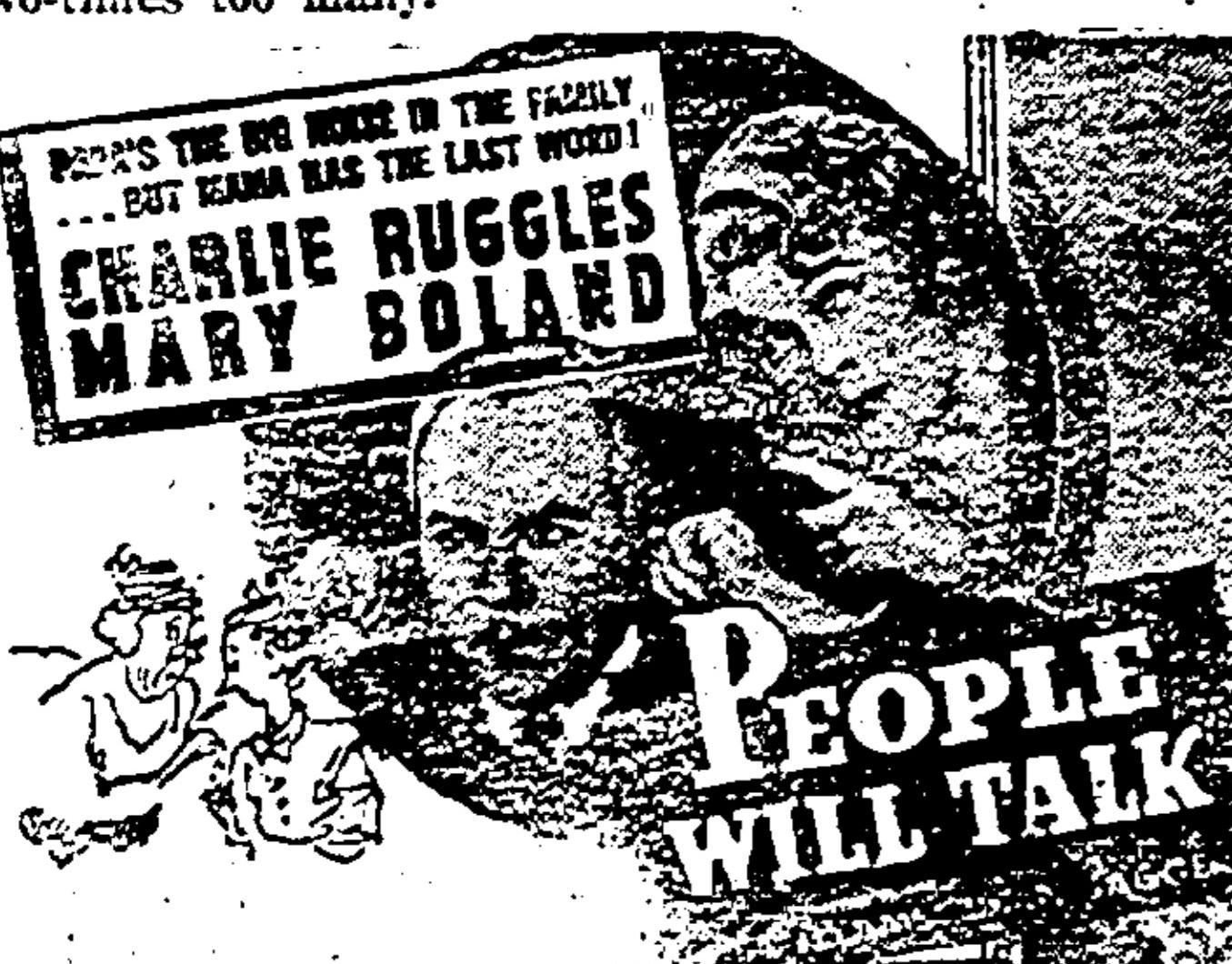
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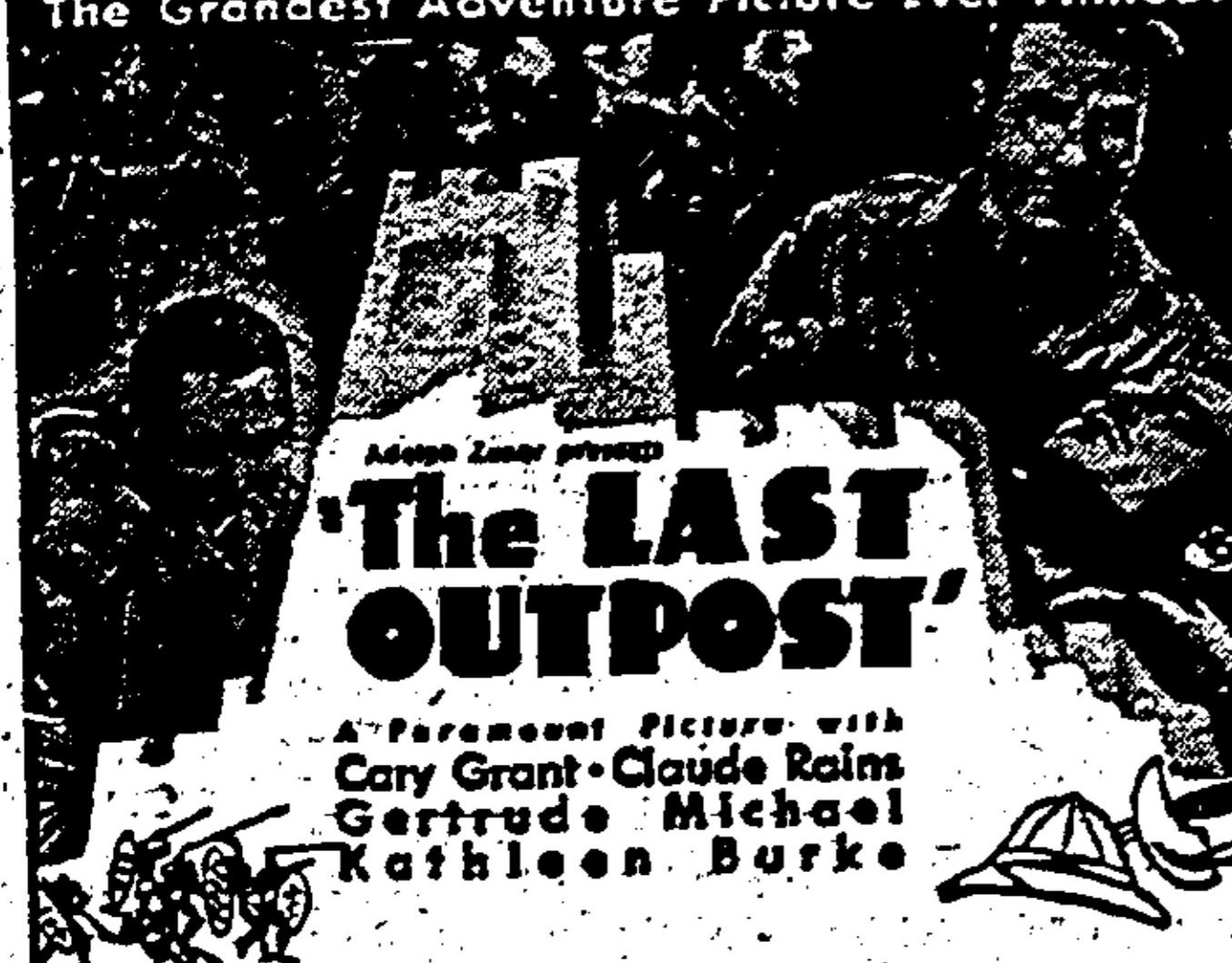
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"NOT USED TO FAILURE"**Car Suicide Of Law Student****FATHER GIVES EVIDENCE**

Oxford.—The suicide of a law student, who, his father said, was "intolerant of failure," was described at an inquest at Eynsham, near Oxford, recently, on Claude Alfred Bradford, aged 22, a solicitor's articled clerk, of Buxton. He was found dead in his car in a lane, with a tube beside him leading from the exhaust.

Alfred Frank Bradford, the father, a manufacturer's manager, said his son appeared normal and cheerful when he last saw him after lunch on Monday.

Highly Strung

The Coroner: Would you call your son highly strung?—Yes, he had very quick brain. He was quick to learn and quick to take action in everything he did.

I gather from this letter (produced but not read) that he thought his career was not successful?—He had passed his intermediate examination and was working for another. He had not been successful in bookkeeping. He was a bit troubled. He was not used to failure. He was used to doing everything quickly. He may have had at the back of his mind that the examination would be troublesome.

Something Snapped

From the letter it seems that he intended to take his life. Is it your opinion that he would not know what he was doing?

I think he came out to clear his brain and clarify it. Then he got far away, lost his bearings, and something must have snapped.

Mr. Bradford said his son went to Magdalen College School and knew Oxford and district very well. He added: "This is a part of the world he loved. It was full of happy memories for him. Something must have attracted him."

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was returned.

GIPSY DENIES HYPNOTISM**Court Sequel To Garage Visit****ALLEGED MYSTIC PASSES**

An allegation that he was hypnotised by a gipsy and lost self-control was made at Newton Abbot police-court last month by Arthur Sidney Jones, a garage proprietor.

Rose Mitchel was fined £2 for stealing 8s. from Mr. Jones, and was ordered to make restitution.

Mr. Jones said that Mitchel called at his garage and asked for two split pins, which he gave her. She then offered to tell his fortune and asked for a piece of silver. To get rid of her he went to the office, took a shilling from a box and gave it to her. She said that she must bless it, and she made mystic passes over it with her hand.

8s. Missing

Mitchel tapped his hip pocket and finding it contained money, asked him to let her hold the money and to lend her a handkerchief with which to cover it. He took 2s. 6d. from his pocket. A handkerchief was placed over the cash and Mitchel made several passes with her hand. She purported to return the money, but after she had driven off he found 8s. was missing.

Mitchel denied hypnotising Mr. Jones, and said that he gave her the money for telling his fortune.

Supt. Martin said that that was not the first case that had come to the notice of the police. "The practice has become a positive rite among garage proprietors," he added.

Mr. Lancelot Ruggles Andrews resumed duty as Deputy Registrar, Supreme Court, and Deputy Registrar of Companies on February 21.

Mr. Eric Hinsworth resumed the duties of Administrative Assistant, Sanitary Department, on February 24.

CYCLIST KILLED BY CAR**£3,000 For Widow And Children**

In the King's Bench Division last month Mr. Justice Lawrence awarded £3,000 to Mrs. Elsie E. Gordon, of Holden-avenue, Kingsbury, Middlesex, and her two children for the loss of husband and father, Mr. Charles Hector Gordon.

Mr. Gordon, who was head of the pasteurizing milk plant of the London Co-operative Society at Willesden, was killed by a motor-car while riding a cycle. The defendant, Mr. John George Chadwick, of Geary-road, N.W., admitted liability.

Mr. Justice Lawrence awarded £2,735 to the widow and £135 and £130 to the children respectively.

DIVORCE CASE RETRIAL**Adultery Charges Refuted**

A Divisional Divorce Court recently granted the retrial of a suit in which a *decree nisi* was granted to Mr. Harold Edward Manners, of Vicarage-road, Leyton, E. The *decree nisi* was given on the ground of the alleged adultery of his wife, Florence Cecilia Dorothy Manners, known as Thelma, with William Marcus Fortescue.

Mrs. Manners asked for a retrial on the ground that the petition was never served upon her, and that she had not been guilty

of adultery with the co-respondent or anyone. She desired to attend the trial and to defend.

Sir Boyd Merriman, in his judgment, said that when the petition was heard by him last June there were affidavits that the petition had been served.

HYDE PARK SCENE**American Accuses Guardsmen**

Mr. Stanley Herbert Picker, an American managing director, of Gloucester-place, W., described at Marlborough-street Police-court last month an alleged attack made on him by three Grenadier Guardsmen in Hyde Park.

The accused were Guardsmen Harold Taylor, aged 22, Brian Fergus, aged 20, and Walter Joseph Booth, aged 24, who were remanded on bail charged with robbing Mr. Picker of £5, and using personal violence to him.

POSED AS LAW OFFICER**Boy's Attack With Hosepipe**

A boy of 16 who appeared at Liverpool Juvenile Court recently was alleged to have:

Entered a house in Fisher-street by posing as "an officer of the law."

Barricaded himself in the washhouse by putting the wash tub and wringer against the door.

The three guardsmen, while on bail, were in military custody.

Turned On The Hosepipe

The boy was accused of being found on enclosed premises. He was remanded for eight days.

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SUNDAY SHOWS IN LONDON**All-In Wrestling Bouts****WOMAN CONTESTANT "UNCONSCIOUS"**

A series of actions by common informers under the Lord's Day Observance Act 1751, concerning Sunday all-in-wrestling, came before Mr. Justice Atkinson in the King's Bench Division last month.

The first was against Mr. Alf Allen, of the Black Prince, Walworth-road, S.E., who, it was alleged, conducted an entertainment at the Chelsea Palace on Sundays.

Mr. Gerald Gardiner, for Mr. Kelly, referred to the other actions as follows:

The second action was against the printer of advertisements of the entertainments at Chelsea Palace; the third was against a Mr. Gregory, alleged to be the manager of an entertainment at Hammersmith; the fourth was against the *Evening Standard*, who published advertisements; and the fifth was against a Mr. Lane in respect of the Hammersmith matter.

Mr. Kelly said that, when he went to Chelsea Palace on Sunday, July 7, he saw a poster outside the building which said "The sport all women adore: all-in-wrestling."

Mr. Gardiner: Did you like the performance?

"Sport All Women Adore"

Mr. Kelly: No. At the end of the first bout I began to doubt whether it was sport at all; at the end of the second bout I was sure it was not.

He added that the exhibition was disgusting, and he formed the impression that some of the bouts were "arranged."

Capt. Charles C. C. Lewis, plaintiff's solicitor and landlord, said that he went to Chelsea Palace on Sunday, July 14. He alleged that, during a bout between an Italian woman and a masked woman, the Italian was rendered unconscious by a neck hold, and her opponent was awarded the verdict.

"Threatened To Brain Him"

Mr. J. P. Valetta (for Mr. Allen) suggested that Capt. Lewis had never seen Mr. Allen in the ring at the Sunday all-in-wrestling.

Capt. Lewis: On one occasion I saw one of the contestants threatening to brain him with a spittoon.

Mr. Joseph Shepherd, of Bellingham-gardens, Brixton, the principal of an agency which supplies wrestlers for all-in contests, said that, on the three dates concerned, he managed and conducted the exhibitions.

He kept Mr. Allen's name on the printed matter purely as a matter of business, because, while Mr. Allen was well known, he (Mr. Shepherd) was not.

Dr. Peter David Clein, who said he went to the exhibitions as medical attendant, denied that Mr. Allen was chased by a wrestler as alleged. He never had to attend any wrestler injured because of brutal treatment and he denied that any attempt was made, in the bout referred to by Capt. Lewis, to asphyxiate an Italian woman wrestler.

Mr. Justice Atkinson said that he would give judgment later.

Turned on the hosepipe on the occupant of the house.

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